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KARAKHAN'S LATEST "IMPERTINENCE."

THE "TACTLESS AMBASSADOR"

The amazing and amusing pronouncements of Comrade Leon Karakhan, the Soviet Ambassador to China, during the past eighteen months of Northern strife, have frequently brought that gentleman into the limelight, but the letter which "The Tactless Ambassador," as he is now popularly described, wrote to Marshal Wu Pei-fu on the eve of the Kouminchun collapse, speaks volumes for the lengths to which he was prepared to go in pursuance of his policy of intrigue.

Hailing Marshal Wu as a Bolshevik, Karakhan invited him to cease friendship with Marshal Chang Tso-lin and to join forces with Yu-hsiang.

GREATEST IMPERTINENCE.

In reply Marshal Wu, writing direct and not through the usual consular channels, said:

"Your unsolicited advice is the greatest impertinence you have ever perpetrated on the Chinese nation for whom you pretend to have great respect and admiration. You have caused so much disturbance in China that I have long since wondered whether your real profession is diplomacy or agitation. If you will permit me to give you a piece of advice, it is this, clear out of our country so long as you are able. With whom I should work, or what I should do, is my own business and not yours. I shall communicate with Marshal Chang Tso-lin that you, Karakhan, are trying to cause discord between us."

TYPE OF GOLD.

The general nature of Karakhan's letter can be gathered from the following extracts: Your efforts for the liberation of China have been set in type of gold, so to speak, in my country, where you have been, and at the present time, and will for ever be honoured as a great Chinese patriot. I fervently assure you that the Government of Soviet Russia has always followed your activities and your herculean efforts with unbounded admiration.

REMEMBER YOUR WARS.

"Recently, however, we were much concerned to hear of your co-operation with Chang Tso-lin. At first we could not believe the report that you had come to an agreement with such a man. As he has been your enemy for a long while, it would be superfluous for me to recall the past wars you fought with him. He is undoubtedly the greatest usurper China has ever had and you know as well as we all do that he considers himself the lord of the Three Eastern Provinces.

"Hitherto he has been the tool of Japan. Now he is also scheming with Great Britain and the United States. Wherever the Briton finds a foothold, the Union Jack is hoisted. Whenever the Yankee invests his money in a new territory, Washington backs him up with the stars and stripes of iniquity.

BE CAREFUL OF CHANG.

You should be careful of Chang Tso-lin. He may have promised you many things but there is no guarantee that he would not turn against you at the first opportunity.

"I advise you as a friend and as the representative of a friendly nation. We will stand by you if you could persuade ourselves that you would not unwittingly become the tool of unscrupulous political factions under the control of Imperialistic Powers.

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FENG YU HSIANG RECOMMENDED.
"Why not co-operate with Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang? He is also (Continued on Page 12).

BOYCOTT QUESTIONS IN COMMON.

EXTORTIONATE CLAIMS OPPOSED.

MR. AMERY'S STATEMENT.

In the House of Commons on April 19th, Mr. Amery, Secretary of State for the Colonies, in reply to Mr. Viant (Willesden, W. Lab.), said:—"Informal conversations between representatives of the Hongkong and Canton Governments have recently taken place, and it is hoped that negotiations will shortly be resumed. I have no precise information as to the number of Chinese workmen who left the Colony on strike; but the strike at Hongkong has for some months been, for all intents and purposes, a thing of the past, and the Governor stated in February that almost the whole body of Hongkong labourers was again at work. I am not aware that any definite figure has been claimed in respect of strike pay and compensation for non-reinstatement.

Mr. Looker (Essex, S.E., U.) asked whether it was not a fact that the Strike Committee had made an enormous financial harvest from the illegal exactions which they extorted from the cargoes of all nationalities except the British, and whether the right hon. gentleman would support the Hongkong Government in its refusal to recognise claims that were extortionate and of a wholly unjustifiable nature.

Mr. Amery.—I certainly would not encourage the Hongkong Government to recognise extortionate and unjustifiable claims.

LOCAL ACCIDENTS.

EUROPEAN'S CAR INJURED BY CHINESE.

Among the accidents that were reported yesterday was one in which Mr. C. H. Soper, of 12, Magazine Gap Road, was concerned. He has reported that as he was driving car No. 1597 in the Shaikwan district at about 7.30 p.m. a Chinese attempted to cross the road in front of the car and was knocked down, being injured in the head. Mr. Soper took the man to the Police Station, but he refused to go to hospital.

A message has been received from the Government Civil Hospital to the effect that a Chinese fitter at Talkoo dock, named Chan Yuen, has been admitted with burns on his hands and legs.

With injuries to the body, caused by falling from a house in Kennedy Road to Fung Wong Terrace, a distance of over twenty feet, a Chinese has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital. He was apparently watching a boy trying to get a ball off the roof of a house when he overbalanced and fell.

A Chinese woman has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital with head injuries caused by jumping from a tramcar while in motion in Wong Nei Cheong Road.

COAL STRIKE.

HELP FROM GERMANY.

The steps German miners are taking to help the British miners are indicated in a telegram from the Secretary of the German Miners' Federation received by Mr. Frank Hodges, stating that a conference of Miners in Germany has passed a resolution promising the miners of Great Britain the greatest possible help by carrying out the International resolutions already passed. German miners must refuse to work overtime, to prevent the export of coal to Britain and contribute as much money as possible to help the British miners. "The British struggle must be a step forward for the international control of the coal trade.—*Reuter*.

HUNAN THREAT.

CANTON MOBILISING TROOPS.

SEARCH FOR FUNDS.

Troops continue to be mobilised in Canton in connection with the threat of an invasion from Hunan, and military preparations are being made to meet any possible attack.

In view of the military operations by Wu Pei-fu's forces in Hunan, the police in Canton are showing great activity in ferreting out the secret meeting places of spies who are said to have arrived in Canton in large numbers. The raids on such places are conducted in such a way, and at such time, that the public knows little about the developments.

FUNDS NEEDED.

With the mobilisation of troops, the demand for more funds becomes insistent. The Government has reverted to the policy of asking merchants to make further advance payments of revenue and also to contribute one month's rent to the exchequer.

In reply to the Government requests, the General Chamber of Commerce has pointed out that the merchants have been paying revenues in advance for the past ten years, and some of them have paid into the Government Treasury advances up to the 19th year of the Republic of China. Apart from this, the continuance of the boycott and strike, has caused heavy losses to trade, and such conditions have reduced the power of the merchants to pay in advance. What the Government will do in these circumstances is difficult to see, for the stocks in shops in Canton have been reduced to a minimum, and all liquid money has been deposited in places of safety.

THE MILITARY OUTLOOK.

A report which has reached Canton from Hunan states that the forces of General Yip Hoi-kum are double the number of those of General Tong Sang-che. The progress of the former troops has been so rapid that Young Chow is reported to have fallen into their hands. The present military situation is that Yip's forces are in a semi-circle near Heng Chow. It is also stated that Hupeh forces have occupied Yochow and are now garrisoning the city.

The forces under General Hui Tow-yun, which remained neutral at the beginning of the conflict between Yip and Tong, have now joined hands with the former, besides which the troops stationed in the western part of Hunan are gradually rallying around the flag of General Yip. It is expected that a big battle will be fought at Heng Chow, and unless Tong's forces are reinforced, it is generally believed that Tong will be defeated and driven to the frontier of Kwangtung and Kwangsi.

A further report says that Wu Pei-fu has already despatched four brigades to Hunan to assist Yip Hoi-kum, and eventually the Commander-in-Chief of these armies, whoever he may be, will replace Yip Hoi-kum and continue to carry on the war against Kwangtung.

One rumour says it is probable that Ngai Bong-ping will be given the chief command by Wu Pei-fu.

MAINTENANCE CASE.

SOLICITOR SUMMONED BY WIFE.

A case of considerable local interest was called at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when Mrs. W. B. Hind, wife of a local solicitor, summoned her husband for maintenance.

When the case was called, however, the defendant was absent. Accordingly, the Magistracy (Mr. J. H. B. Nichol) adjourned the hearing for one week.

CANTON'S POLITICAL CONVENTION.

PUBLIC GRATIFIED AT PROGRESS.

THE LATEST BUSINESS.

Canton citizens are said to be well satisfied at the progress made by the convention of the Kuomintang Party, especially because of the strong stand taken by General Chang Kai-shek and Mr. Sun Fo against Communism.

The third session of the Central Party Committee took place on the 18th instant, with General Tan Yen-kai in the chair. The first question on the agenda was the election of a Chairman of the Central Executive Committee. A resolution signed by eight members, including General Chang Kai-shek, General Tan Yen-kai, Mr. Tam Ping-shan and Dr. C. C. Wu, was submitted. After a short discussion, it was decided that the resolution should be referred to a committee composed of Messrs. Jun Tapp, Koo Mang-yue, Sun Fo, C. C. Wu, Shui Lik-tsz, and Generals Tan Yen-kai and Chang Kai-shek, whose report is to be submitted for further discussion at the next session.

The next question was to decide what action should be taken against vernacular newspapers which had made reports of the proceedings of the Convention which were considered detrimental to the interests of the Kuomintang and the Government. It was decided that such cases should be referred to the Government for attention by the Police Department.

Mr. Sun Fo then proposed the election of the members of the Committee on affairs relating to Communists who are members of the Kuomintang. After a rather long discussion on the subject, a decision was reached that the Presiding Committee should submit a list of nominations for election at the following session.

Two more members of the Executive Committee took their seats—Messrs. Wong Lok-ping, of the resident committee in Shantung, and Mr. Ting Chiu-wu, of Fukien. Other prominent members of the Kuomintang are reported to be on the way to Canton. Mr. Wu Tsz-fai and others belonging to the Diplomatic Mission of the Kuomintang at Peking made good their escape when the ban was placed on the Kuomintang by Chang Tso-lin and Wu Pei-fu and have arrived at Shanghai. They left there on the 17th instant for Canton.

DISASTROUS EXPLOSION.

GERMAN POWDER WORKS BLOW UP.

Berlin, May 20.

Forty people were killed and scores injured by an explosion at the Bavarian Powder Works, Haslach—the most disastrous in Germany since the war.

Work was in full swing when powder in one of the workshops exploded; apparently through spontaneous combustion. Other explosions immediately followed with catastrophic effect. The entire factory was swept away leaving an enormous crater. Masonry, parts of heavy machinery and human bodies were hurled hundreds of yards. The shock of the explosion was felt miles away. The ruins of the factory finally caught fire and firemen and rescuers were unable for some time to approach the injured, who were screaming in agony.—*Reuter*.

LESSENED DEATH ROLL.

It is now officially stated that nine were killed and 50 injured by the explosion at Haslach.—*Reuter*.

MARSHAL FENG

WARMLY WELCOMED IN MOSCOW.

BIG CROWDS GATHER.

The Tass agency announces that Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang arrived in Moscow on the 9th inst., accompanied by members of his staff.

Marshal Feng was accorded a hearty welcome on his arrival, large numbers of the Russian and Chinese population turning out to welcome him.

STUDENT WELCOME.

The Marshal was met at the station by representatives of the Commissariat for Foreign Affairs, the General Staff of the Red Army, the Commandant of the Moscow Garrison, by the Chinese Charge d'Affaires and the staff of the Chinese Embassy in Moscow. Among others on the station platform was a group of representatives of the Sun Yat-sen University in Moscow. A guard of honour was drawn up on the platform, and, as Marshal Feng stepped out of the train, the orchestra struck up the Soviet Anthem. Another guard of honour was drawn up in the station square.

MUCH CHEERING.

The square was filled with a large crowd of Russian workers and clerks from the Moscow factories and Government and other officers, as well as numerous Chinese students in the various universities; prominently among them were the students of the Chinese merchants and other Chinese residents in Moscow. The appearance of the Marshal and his staff on the station steps was the signal for an outburst of enthusiastic cheering. The crowd surged round the Marshal's car as he got into it, so that the train of automobiles could leave the station square only at very slow speed. Crowds of pedestrians along the route to the hotel stopped to give vociferous salutations of greeting and welcome.

Later, in conversation with a Tass representative, Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang said that he had come to Moscow to consolidate the ties of friendship between China and Russia as well as to study the experience of the Soviet Government in building up the administrative apparatus and the organization of the Red Army.

CHEESE STOLEN.

FOURTH MAN ADMITS CHARGES.

In connection with the larceny of fourteen boxes of cheese, the property of Messrs. Connell Bros., Co., a Chinese was charged before Mr. Wilson, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with receiving stolen goods, knowing them to have been stolen and with attempting to bribe a police officer by offering him \$8.

The defendant pleaded guilty to the charges. Sgt. Carey said the defendant gave them every assistance, as he pointed out the three men who were convicted yesterday, and also took him to a place where he sold some of the cheese. The defendant, however, had used a false chop for a shop that did not exist, which was an attempt to deceive the police.

Major Wilson said he would reserve his decision until tomorrow morning.

CONDITIONS IN SWATOW.

TROUBLE BETWEEN RIVAL UNIONS.

TROOPS LEAVE FOR CANTON.

News from Swatow is to the effect that the position of the strike pickets and the Labour Unions has reached the same stage as at Canton a few weeks ago. Trouble commenced first with individual disputes and fighting, then it involved the Labour Unions in disagreements which has led from individual fights to open conflicts between rival combinations of Unions.

Matters have now reached the point at which General Ho Yin-yum has issued proclamations prohibiting further disturbances. This order has been carried out rigidly by the Garrison troops, and severe penalties have been meted out to offenders, with the result that the situation is less tense.

It is stated that the financial condition of the city has become acute since the Government demanded a loan of \$600,000 from the people and large business houses are restricting operations in order to avoid exactions.

It is also reported that great activities in the movements of the troops are to be noticed. The 1st, 40th, 41st and 42nd Regiments embarked on the steamers Ta Yow, Ta Yick and Holmun for Canton on the 14th instant, whilst on the 17th instant, the 2nd, 3rd, 6th, 8th, and 9th Regiments embarked on the Char Ho, Mun Sang, Kut On and Yuet Wah, all bound for Canton. It is reported that these troops will be despatched to the Hunan-Kiangsi-Kwangtung frontiers.

THEFT OF COFINS.

WOOD USED FOR POULTRY YARD.

As a departure from the usual type of larceny cases brought before the Magistrate, the prosecution of a Chinese on a charge of stealing wood at the Central Police Court this morning was of interest.

The fact was disclosed that for some time past coffins had mysteriously disappeared from the repository at the Tung Wah Hospital and the occurrence, being somewhat uncanny, gave rise to uneasy feelings on the part of the caretaker.

Later the mystery was explained, and a very natural reason was found for the disappearance of the coffins. A country bumpkin, (that was the description he gave of himself to the police) felt himself pressed for want of something with which to fence in his poultry yard at Taihang, and he therefore stole some coffins. With the broken-up planks, he built what was, from his own point of view, a serviceable fence for his poultry.

The shape of the wood, however, betrayed its origin to the caretaker, and the peasant consequently figured in a charge of larceny. Having heard the facts from the witness, the Court imposed a fine of \$10, with the alternative of ten days' hard labour.

KING'S BIRTHDAY.

REHEARSAL PARADE THIS MORNING.

The task of transporting fifteen hundred soldiers across the harbour with their attendant equipment and a battery of field guns, as well as mules and carriages, was successfully carried out by some ferry boats belonging to the Hongkong and Yau-mat Ferry Company, early this morning. The point of embarkation was Holt's Wharf and that of disembarkation the Army Service Pier; the force, comprising sepoy and gunners, being then marched into Happy Valley for a rehearsal of the King's Birthday parade, which this year takes place at the Valley.

The East Surreys and other detachments, also marched down to Happy Valley and took part in the rehearsal.

MISSION SPLIT.

THE CHINA INLAND MISSION.

WITHDRAWS FROM N.C.C.

In connection with the withdrawal of the China Inland Mission from the National Christian Council, we are informed that the following statement was adopted by the Executive Committee of the latter body on the 18th instant:

"The National Christian Council has recently received a communication from Mr. Hoste, Director of the C. I. M., in which he expresses the desire of the Mission to withdraw from the N. C. C. This communication has now been considered by the Executive Committee meeting May 11-13 in Shanghai.

"The Executive Committee has expressed its sincere regret to Mr. Hoste both because the fellowship and co-operation of the C. I. M. has been much valued by members of the Council and because it regards this action as prompted by a fundamental misconception as to the nature and functions of the Council. The Executive Committee therefore takes the opportunity of restating its conception of these.

TAKES NO SIDE.

"The National Christian Council was formed in order to undertake certain duties as far as possible in behalf of all the Christian forces in China. Its constitution expressly excludes ecclesiastical and doctrinal matters. It cannot therefore take sides in theological controversy. The Executive would simply reaffirm the fact that it does not do so and will not be dragged into such sectional activity. Still less can it call its members or regard its unsatisfactory statements or actions. Each member's acts are subject to review by the ecclesiastical organization to which he or she may belong and it is utterly impossible for the Council to assume the position of censor.

AGREE TO DIFFER.

"The fellowship of the Council is rooted in a frank recognition on the part of all of each other's sincerity in his profession of faith in God as revealed in Jesus Christ our Lord and in his determination to follow Him unswervingly. Within this fellowship we must agree to differ and resolve to love. The Council would include within it the China Inland Mission and all other groups which sincerely seek to serve Christ in China. The Council refuses to be forced into any other position and has intimated to the C. I. M. the fact that the door is wide open for their return should they so desire.

SACKED DUTY.

"The Council is not primarily concerned with differences of opinion, however deep or sincere, which divide Christians who come from other lands to China. It does, however, hold that it is charged with a sacred duty in trying to prevent these differences from splitting the ranks of the Chinese Church. It believes that this Church may under the guidance of the Holy Spirit find its way to a unity more inclusive and more spiritually active than anything that has been achieved in Western Christianity. The Council exists to serve this Church as it moves towards a fuller expression of its own religious experience in its corporate life.

"For this reason above all others, the Council regrets most deeply the action taken by a mission, in withdrawing from this co-operative movement."

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include some photographs of the Spanish fishermen at Macao, as well as pictures of the International Rugby match on the occasion of the opening of the new ground at King's Park, Newmarket.

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SHANGHAI'S HAPBOUR FACILITIES.

TONNAGE SHOWS CONTINUED GROWTH.

Ships may come and ships may go, but Shanghai's shipping seems to be going on an indeterminate basis. The shipping in the Whangpoo is getting more and more difficult to control and, if the tonnage of the port goes on increasing at the present rate, the problem of river traffic is going to prove a question of difficult solution in the future.

The control of vehicular traffic in a city is ordered more or less by the police authorities, and is maintained by a system of officers appointed solely for that purpose, and the risk of owners and drivers is consequently reduced to a minimum with the exercise of a little care. But on a river it is different and though there are certain hard and fast rules for the guidance of skippers, the onus of responsibility for accidents rests almost entirely with the masters of vessels.

In Shanghai, both on sea and land, there is a totally different set of conditions existing in the traffic from almost any other place in the world, and the duties of those in charge of both vehicles and vessels is becoming increasingly responsible. On the river, from the moment a vessel enters the waters of Shanghai's main waterway, the troubles of the skipper commence and he can never feel entirely safe until his vessel is safely moored to a buoy or roped to a wharf.

The multifarious craft of all shapes, sizes and methods of propulsion, which move back and forth in the waters of the Whangpoo, make the task of the local river navigator one of extreme hazard, and each year the peril of river accidents is becoming greater.

Hazards Of Darkness.

A glance at the river any day, any night, with its teeming native hordes of vessels passing and re-passing, gives one some little conception of the difficulties with which the Whangpoo skipper has to contend even by day; but add to these the night's darkness, and one wonders how any master of a vessel would venture up the river after sundown. Many of them do, however, but any skipper, unless compelled to take the risk, much prefers to anchor either at Woosung until daylight or stick at the wharf until he can navigate by day.

The trouble at present is not so much that of negotiating the river by night but, rather, that of anchoring at various points along its length after nightfall. The danger occasioned from vessels anchoring in various spots until the break of day in order to proceed to their moorings or wharves, has, of late, become a menace to incoming and outgoing vessels and, in view of the increasing number of vessels using the waterway after nightfall, the Harbour Master has issued a notification to all mariners requesting them, in their own interests and those of other vessels, not to anchor in the Whangpoo without the cognizance of the Harbour Authority.

Growing Congestion.

The wisdom of such a provision must be apparent to all masters of vessels and the notification requests that unless vessels are in a position to proceed direct to their allotted wharves or to berths assigned to them by the Harbour Office, they shall not enter the Whangpoo between the hours of sundown and sunrise. This notification does not apply to vessels anchoring for the purpose of swinging prior to proceeding to an allotted berth or wharf.

This provision is almost imperative in view of the growing congestion in the river and is a necessary precaution against collisions and other marine accidents. It is incumbent upon all ship owners to see that masters of vessels do not anchor in the fairway without the cognizance of the Harbour Authority.

In the past certain ships have entered the river after night and have anchored in the stream awaiting orders or the arrival of the berthing officer in the morning. These invariably cause obstruction and constitute a menace to other

vessels passing up or down. In the past this practice was tolerated but, with the increase of shipping in the river, and with the class and size of the vessels now proceeding to the wharves and buoys up stream, it is absolutely imperative that the practice be discontinued.

The size of the vessels now using the river is such that no risks can be taken when these are moving to or from their berths, and the possibility of collision has to be removed as far as practicable.

Ocean Giants.

Fifteen years ago the thought of large steamers proceeding as far up the river as the Pailien Creek would have been laughed at, but such is the case to-day and the huge ocean-going liners of the Dollar and President type now regularly berth in that locality. This has all been made possible through the efforts of the Whangpoo Conservancy Board, and the spectacle of one of these huge ocean leviathans moving past the Garden Bridge to the wharf, further up stream, no longer occasions surprise.

Prior to February 9, 1924, the Empress liners were compelled to anchor outside the bar at Woosung, but on that date the first of them passed up the river and berthed at the China Merchants Wharf and this ship was the largest that had, up to that date, entered the river. She was the Empress of Russia, but she was later followed by the Empress of Canada which again created a record for the port inasmuch as she was the largest vessel to pass up the Whangpoo and, at the time, she was drawing 27 ft.

The shipping of the port has increased rapidly each year and a comparison of the tonnage of the port for the years 1922 to 1925 shows a remarkable progress. In 1922 the total tonnage of the Port of Shanghai was 29,302,366 tons. In 1923 this had increased to 31,993,274 tons and in 1924 another big increase was recorded and the figures had jumped to 34,549,125 tons. The strike in 1925 upset the figure for that year but, even with this trouble, the tonnage for that year was 32,647,290 tons. These figures indicate the enormous amount of shipping which enters the Whangpoo during the course of a year, and also serves to show the tremendous strides which the port is making towards becoming one of the most important in the world.

Increased Facilities.

At present a scheme is being prepared for further increasing the facilities of the port and it is intended in future to provide a system of berthing in the stream which will overcome the danger of vessels swinging with the tide whilst at the buoys. The existing buoys in the stream are to be changed and, in future, when vessels enter the river, they will be allotted their berths to which they will proceed immediately, and at which provision will be made for securing them fore and aft. They will, when this plan is put into execution, not be allowed to anchor in the stream by their own anchors and the danger of colliding with other craft upon the turn of the tide will be almost wholly overcome. This system of berthing in the stream will also provide for a deep water channel of 800 ft. in width in nearly all places, whilst in others it will be as wide as 1,000 ft.

At the present time there are no regular mooring buoys below the Cosmopolitan Dock, but when the new scheme is operating provision will have been made for these, and this is to be one of the matters to be undertaken. The existing buoys are taken to be removed in other parts of the river and new ones substituted. A 3,000 ft. swinging basin in the river at a point opposite the New Engineering Works is also included in the scheme and this will give ample room for the large Empress vessels to manoeuvre.

The port authorities are, therefore, keeping well abreast of the advance of the shipping demands and, though they have one of the greatest tasks to solve in the future if the tonnage keeps increasing at the present rate, there can be no doubt that they are at least attempting to make some provision for it.

EUROPEAN'S LOSS.

A REGISTERED LETTER
DISAPPEARS.

A Chinese messenger from the Royal Naval Armament Depot has reported the loss or theft from his jacket pocket of a registered letter which Mr. Newman of the Naval Yard gave him to post yesterday morning.

The letter was addressed to the manager of Barclay's Bank, Osbourne Road, Southsea, and contained a cheque No. 530/7493 dated May 31, 1926, on Lloyds Bank, Winton, Bournemouth, for £24.

The messenger went into a hat shop in Wellington Street yesterday morning to get his master's hat, and at that time the registered letter was in his pocket.

When going along Queen's Road to the Post Office he found that it had disappeared. He does not know whether it was stolen or merely dropped from his pocket.



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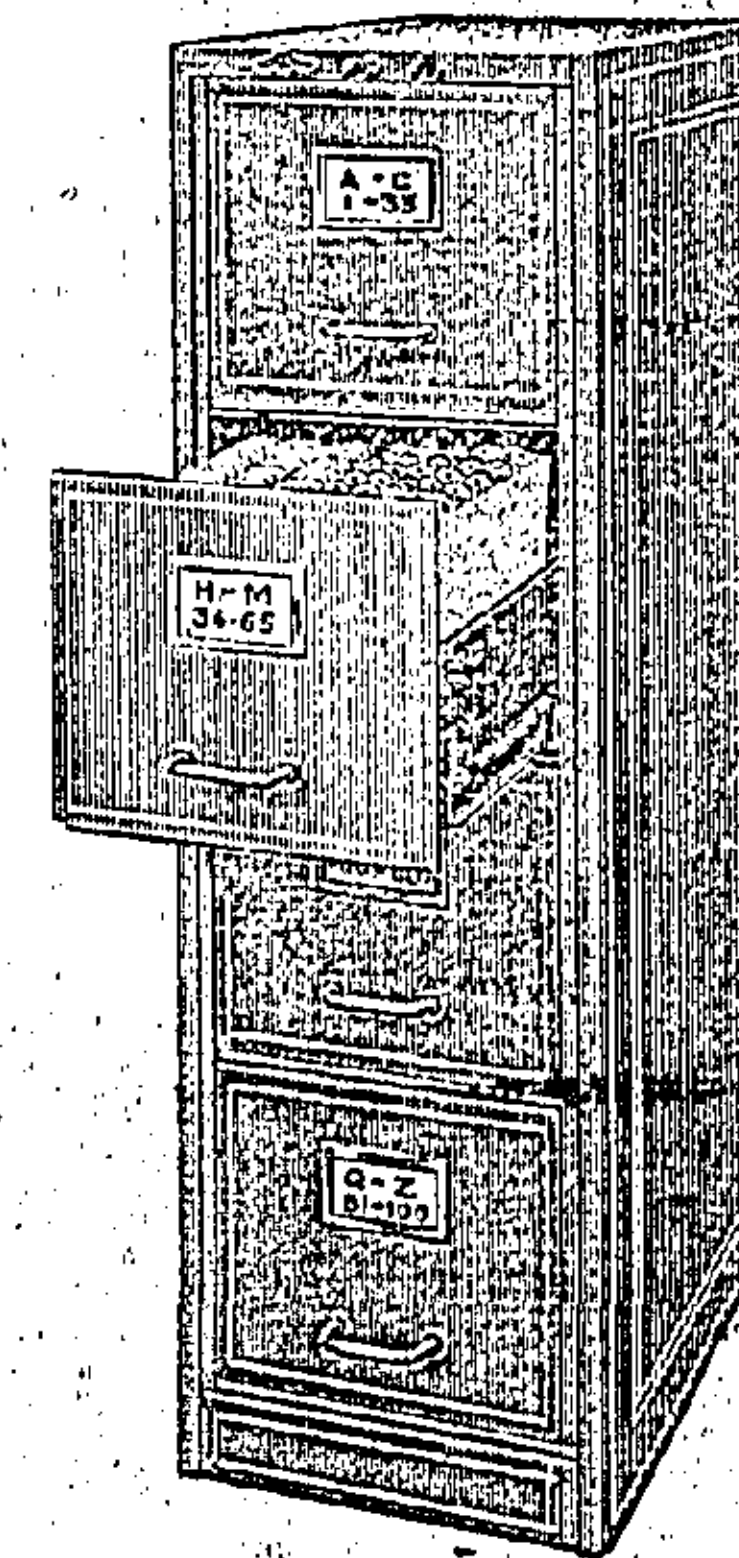
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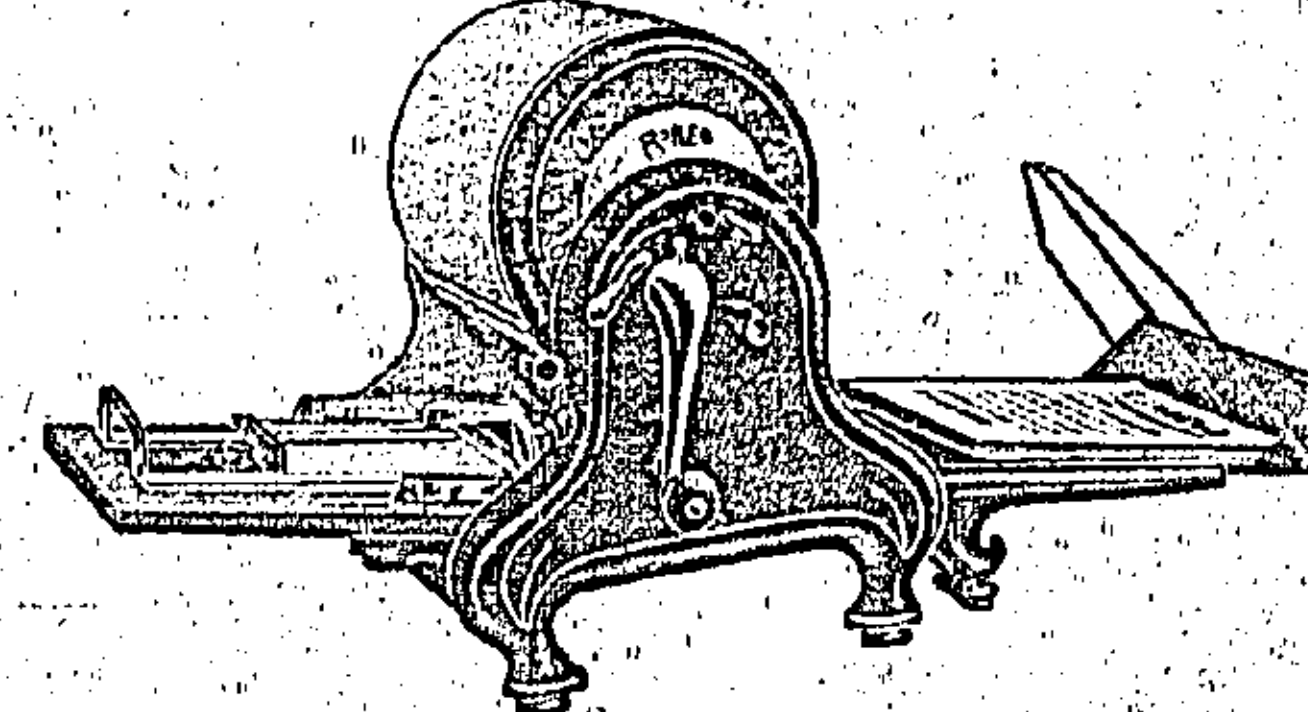
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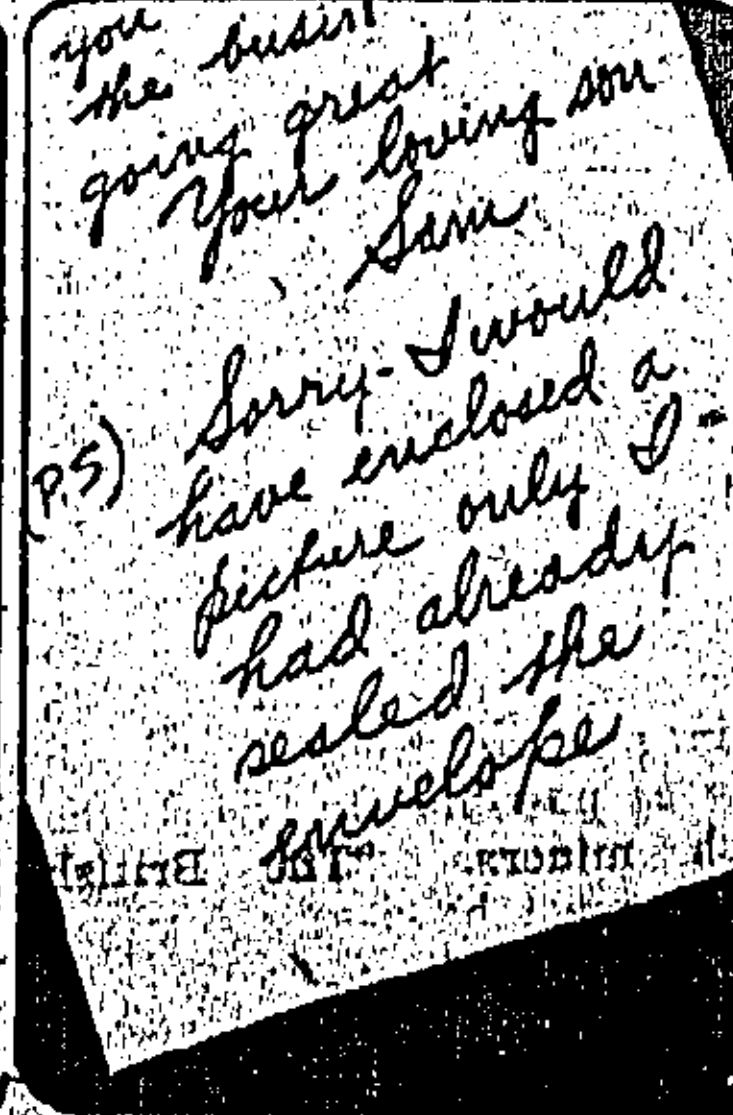
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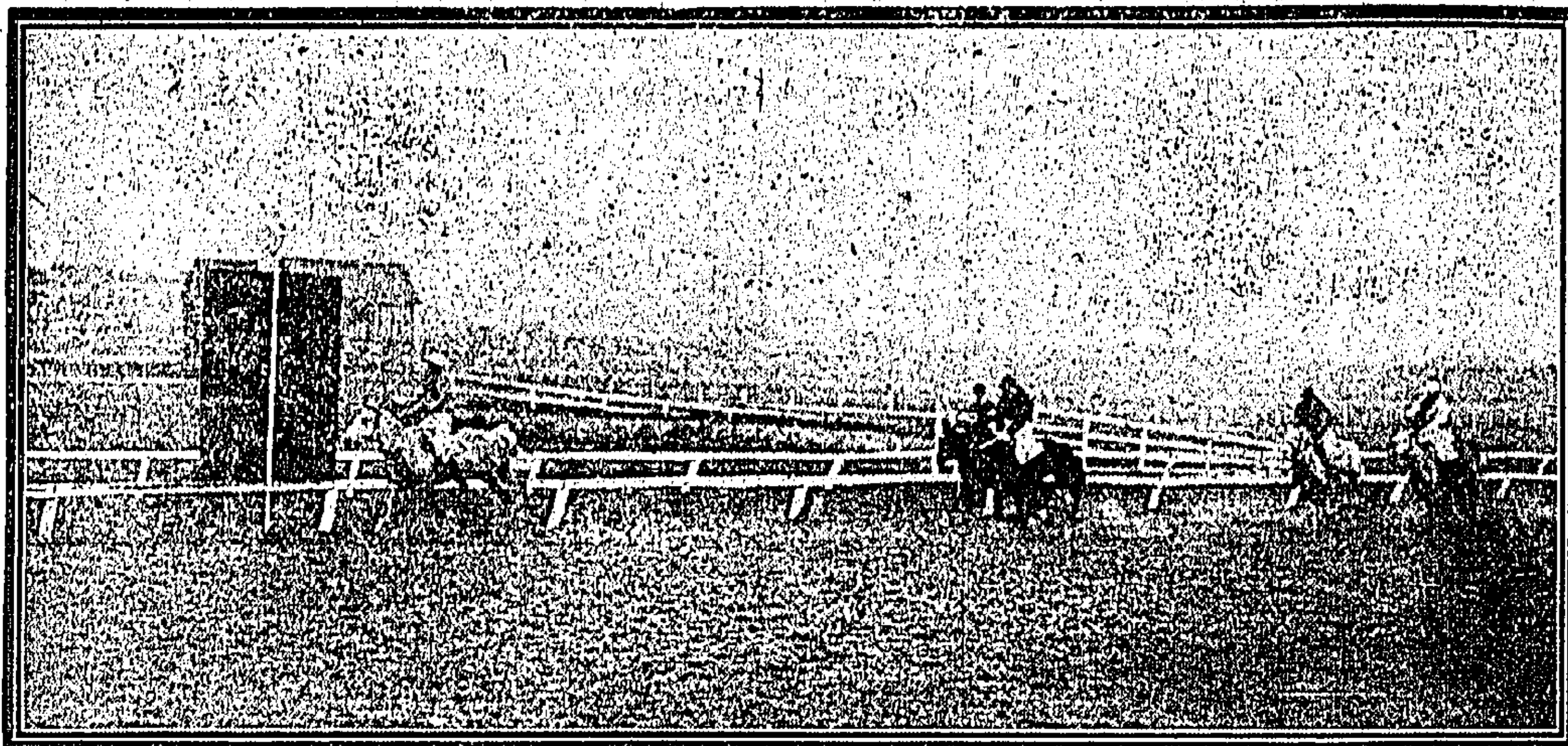


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RUMANIAN PRINCESS.—Here is a late photograph of Princess Ileana, youngest daughter of the King and Queen of Rumania. She is only 18.

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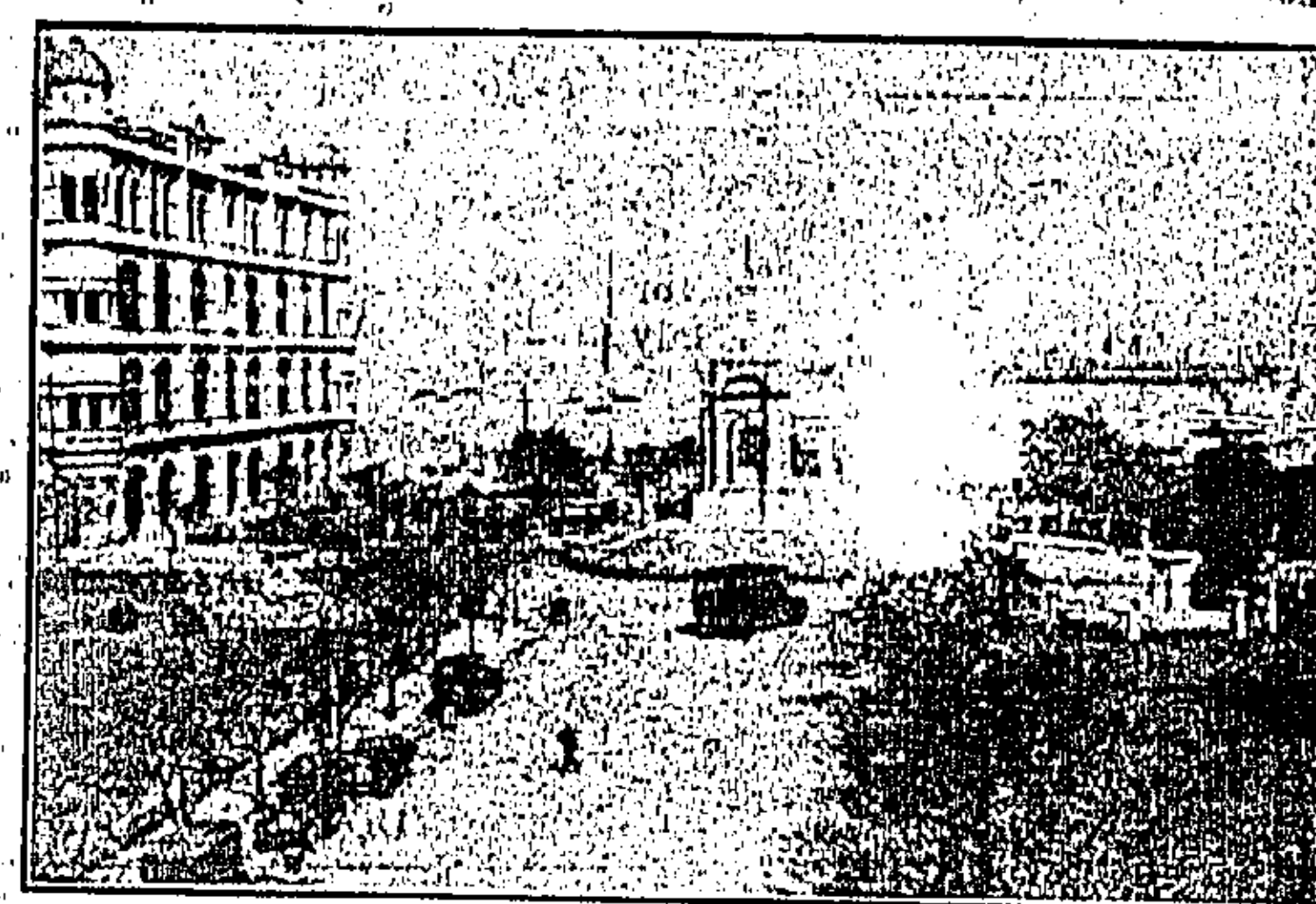
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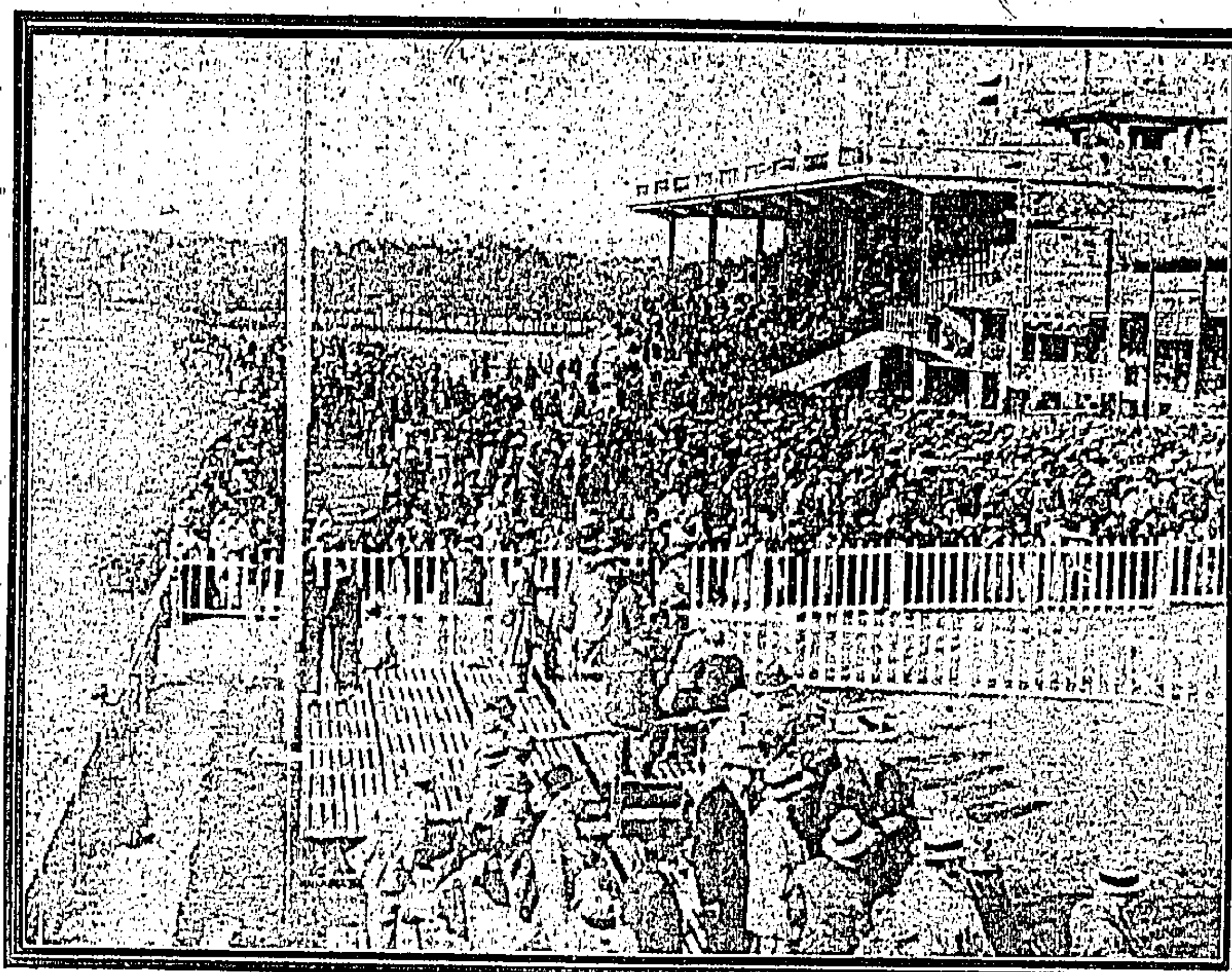
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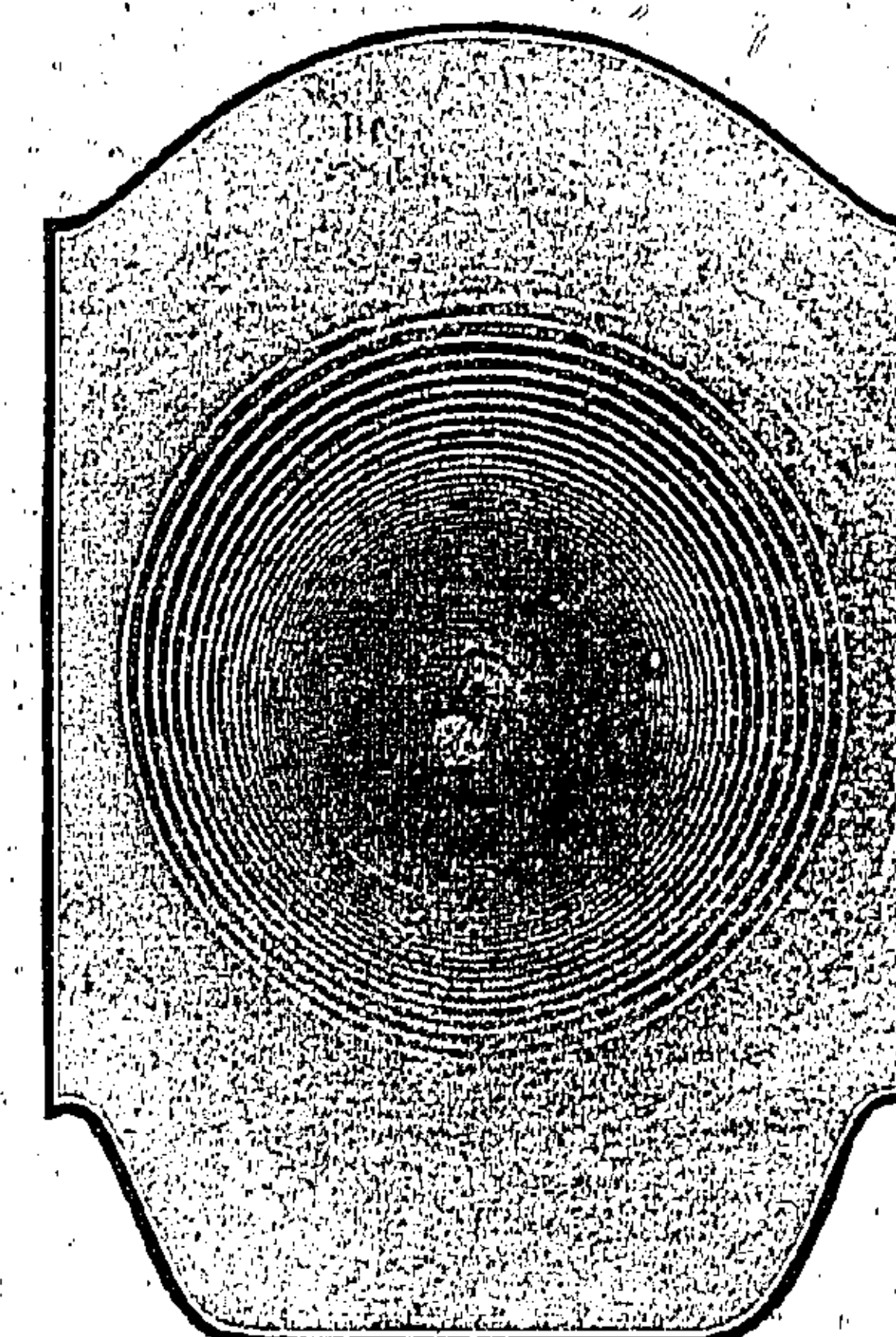


THE CHAMPION PONY.—Mr. "Day," Borderland's owner, looks pleased with himself as he leads in the pony which beat his first string. New Zealand, in the big Shanghai race.



NEW GRANDSTAND AT HANKOW.—View of the club's lawn and the new stand, which cost over \$100,000 and which is not yet completely fitted, at the Hankow Race Club. The stand was used the first time at the spring meeting when our picture was taken.

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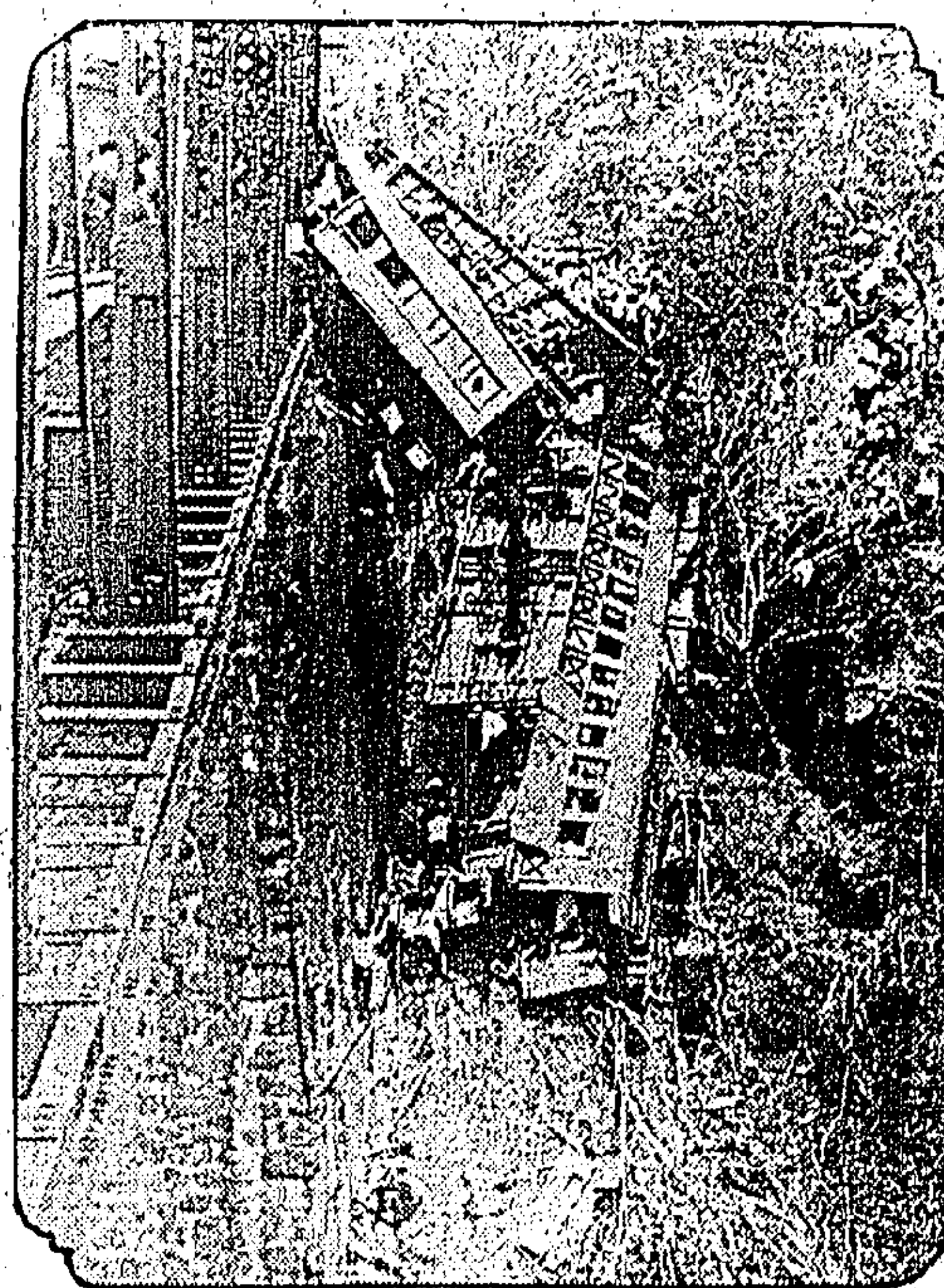
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FLIGHT OF THE KUOMINCHUN.—Long lines of camel trains and infantry recently passed the city walls of Peking, following the retreating armies to Nankow Pass.



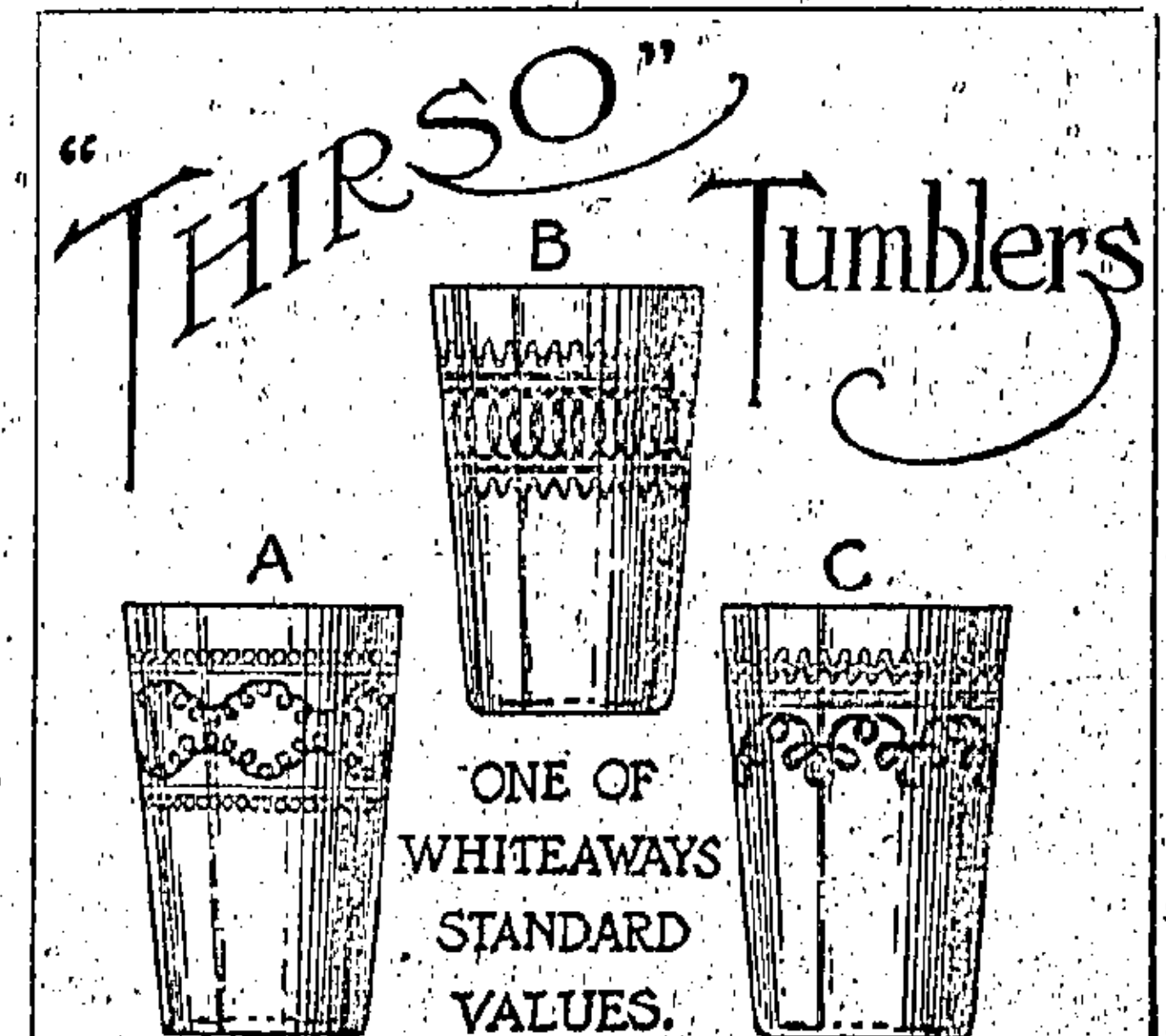
BABY HIPPO FOR SALE.—"Buster," the baby hippopotamus of the Washington (D. C.) zoo pictured here with his mother, was offered for sale at \$3,500 (gold).



RAIL CRASH COSTS 275 LIVES.—Four coaches of women and children excursionists plunged off the Virilla bridge into a deep gorge, killing 275 and injuring 71 more in Costa Rica's worst train disaster.

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BANK HOLIDAYS.

In accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be closed for the transaction of Public Business on Monday, the 24th instant.

NOTICE.

The Kowloon Football Club will hold a Musical Evening and dance at the Club House, Chatham Road, Kowloon, to-morrow evening, Saturday, at nine o'clock.

Hongkong, 21st May, 1926.

INSURANCES OFFICES. NOTICE.

WHITSUNTIDE HOLIDAY.

Notice is hereby given that all Fire and Marine Insurance Offices will be CLOSED for the transaction of business

on Monday,

the 24th May, 1926.

By Order,

LOWE, BINGHAM & MATTHEWS,

Secretaries.

Fire Insurance Association of Hongkong.

Marine Insurance Association of Hongkong and Canton.

NOTICE.

KOWLOON-CANTON RAILWAY. FANLING HUNT RACES.

With Monday 1926.

Special Race Train (1st and 2nd class only) will leave Kowloon at 1.15 p.m. returning from Fanling at 5.52 p.m.

Fares:—First class \$1.50
2nd class .90
A limited number of tiffins (at \$1.25 per head) will be served on the train. Tiffins must be booked (Telephone K. 201) before 4 p.m. on Sunday the 23rd.

The train scheduled to leave Kowloon at 5.29 p.m. is hereby cancelled. A train in substitution will leave for all stations at 4.07 p.m.

By Order,

H. P. WINSLOW,

Manager.

Kowloon, 21st May, 1926.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE.

On WHIT MONDAY, 24th May, 1926. All Departments will be CLOSED. The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, May 21, 1926.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LTD.

The Forty Fifth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hongkong, on Thursday, the 10th June, 1926, at 12 noon for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 3rd to 24th June, 1926, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LIMITED,

General Managers.

Hongkong, 20th May, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

A MEETING of Members will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on Friday, 21st May, 1926, at 5 p.m., for the purpose of discussing the method of acquiring Subscription Grifflins for next season. The attendance of all members interested is requested.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary.

Hongkong, May 18, 1926.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

Draft Programmes and Entry Forms for the Third Extra Race Meeting to be held on SATURDAY, 5th June, 1926 (weather permitting), may be obtained at the Race Course, Hongkong Club and Causeway Bay Stables.

ENTRIES will close at 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, 22nd May, 1926.

Hongkong, May 12, 1926.

PALACE HOTEL.

BILLIARD HANDICAP.

A Billiard Handicap, 250' up will be held at the Palace Hotel, Kowloon. Silver Cups will be presented for the First, Second and Third Prizes, and a special Prize for the Highest Break.

Entrance Fee \$3.00.

Entries Close on May 23rd.

Hongkong, May 6, 1926.

SAFE DEPOSIT VAULTS.

The Banque de l'Indo-Chine beg to inform all interested in safe deposit, that they have actually in their new building, 5 Queen's Road, safe deposit Boxes at the yearly rate of \$3 for the small size, and \$12 for the large size. Please apply to the Cashier.

Hongkong, May 6, 1926.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

Notice is hereby given that on and after 17th May, 1926, the Offices of The Hongkong Telegraph will be located at Nos. 1-3, Wyndham Street, (Mor-

NOTICE.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY 1926, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and Statements of Account to 31st December 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

General Manager.

Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice is hereby given that the Annual Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on Friday 28th May, 1926 at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 30th April, 1926.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday 24th May to Monday 31st May, 1926 both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th May, 1926.

FANLING HUNT STEEPCHASES.

WHITSUNTIDE MEETING.

Monday, 24th May, 1926.

Saddling Bell 2.30 p.m.

First Race 3.00 p.m.

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Special Express Train to the Races leaves Kowloon at 1.15 p.m.

Return Special Express Train leaves Fanling Station at 5.52 p.m.

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Hongkong, May 13, 1926.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE CO. LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTIETH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY 1926, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the statements of Account to 31st December 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

General Manager.

Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, 28th MAY 1926, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Account to 31st December 1925, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 12th to May 28th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,

PAUL LAUDER,

General Manager.

Hongkong, May 3rd 1926.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that I shall not be responsible for any debts contracted by my wife Nora Lee Loureiro residing at No. 330, Nathan Road (1st floor), Kowloon. Dated the 14th May 1926.

LAMMERT'S AUCTIONS

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Mr. S. H. Ross, the Trustee, to sell by Public Auction,

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SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

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Chartered, \$204 n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$304 n.
Moroantille C., \$133 n.
P. and O., \$91 n.
East Asia, \$83 n.

Marine Ins.

Canton Ins., \$600 b.
China Underwriters, \$1.90 b.
North China, Tls. 145 n.
Unions, \$288 - sa.
Yangtze, \$371 - b.

Fire Ins.

China Fires, \$180 b.
Hongkong Fire, \$560 b.

Shipping.

Douglases, \$28 n.
Steamboats, \$244 s.
Tugs, \$21 s.
Indo-China, \$38 n.
Hoo Cahn, \$76 n.
Shall Trans., \$76 n.
Star Ferries, \$621 n.
Waterboats, \$15 n.

Refineries.

China Sugars, \$244 s.
Malabons, \$35 n.

Mining.

Benguet, \$150 b.
Kailans, \$2/- b.
Langkuts, Tls. 244 b.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 5.25 n.
Shanghai Loans, Tls. 7 n.
Raubs, \$5.00 n.
Tronohs, 65/- n.
Ural Caspians, 8/- n.

Docks, etc.

Kowloon Wharves, \$128 s.
Whampoa Docks, \$55 n.
Hongkongs, Tls. 180 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 5.90 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 1054 sa.

Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$10.40 b.
H.K. Lands, \$62 b.
Realty, \$57 b.
Territorials, \$5 n.
Humphreys, \$151 n.
Princes Blags, \$95 b.
Rural Lands, \$7 n.

Cottons.

Ewos, Tls. 10.00 b.
Orientals, Tls. 3.00 n.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 53 b.

Miscellaneous.

Amusements, \$111 n.
Canton Ices, \$71 n.
Cements, \$144 s.
China Buses, Tls. 11.30 b.
China Lights, \$181 n.
China Prov., \$5.80 n.
Constructions, \$21 n.
Dairy Farms, \$19 s.
Der A. Wing, \$9 s.
Electric, \$644 b.
Macao Electric, \$40 n.
Developments, 25 cents. n.
Ropes, \$30 s.
Tramways, \$23.50 b.
Lane Crawfords, \$104 s.
Mackintosh, \$191 n.
Peak Trans., \$171 b.
Sinceres, \$11 n.
Taxis, \$4 s.
United Asbestos, \$20 b.
Watsons, \$121 b.
Powells, \$10 s.

A stall-holder at 5, New Street entrusted a foki with \$20 to pay a bill to the Electric Light Company. He failed to pay the money and has absconded.

"This year the town of Elsinore in Denmark—"the town of Hamlet," says the posters which advertise it—celebrates its 500th year of life (writes a correspondent in a Home paper). I imagine, from the brilliantly-coloured pictures of a seaside castle embowered in trees, that it is hoped we, as the compatriots of Shakespeare, may like to join in the festivities and at the same time enjoy a summer holiday. Yet I have always understood that Shakespeare ignored the facts of history and some of the facts of geography when he placed the scene of Hamlet in Elsinore, that Prince being really a Jutlander, not a Seclander, and Elsinore's cliff that "beetles o'er his base into the sea" being an invention of the poet. Perhaps none of this matters. Elsinore is Hamlet's simply because Shakespeare placed him there. It is quite as reasonable and as satisfying, no doubt, to make pilgrimage to a place where Hamlet did not live as a place which Mr. Pickwick or Colonel Newcome are feigned to have inhabited. And I think I have heard that the obliging people of Elsinore will show Hamlet's tomb—or perhaps it is Ophelia's nunnery—if Americans insist upon it.

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per R. M. S. Empress of Russia

from Vancouver via ports, on May 20th.—Mr. C. C. Knight, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. W. H. Peters, Mrs. A. E. Turner, Mr. A. L. Shields, Mr. A. Cameron, Mrs. Cameron, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Mr. D. M. Chan, Sir Shou Son Chow, Lady Chow, Mr. J. T. Chu, Mr. and Mrs. Didisheim, Mr. S. Y. Gattas, Mrs. R. A. Green, Mr. J. Gubbay, Mr. M. Koyre, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Kwok, Mr. and Mrs. Yuen Kwok, Mr. Y. Kudo, Mr. J. Metoki, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Li, Mr. T. N. Lau, Miss Alice Lee, Mr. Yat Chu Ma, Mr. H. K. Murphy, Mr. T. Z. Mei, Mr. A. E. Shophier, Mr. F. Shi, Mr. P. Shen, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. D. T. Tsen, Mr. D. C. Tsen, Mr. Y. P. Tsui, Mr. T. W. Tsou, Mr. Che Wong, Mr. L. H. Yip, Mr. K. C. Lee, Mr. F. Townsend, Mr. and Mrs. H. Moriyama, Mr. T. C. Cheng, Mr. T. T. Chen, Mr. Z. F. Chen, Mr. H. H. Chan, Mrs. H. Chan, Mrs. L. Chan, Mr. T. S. Fong, Mr. E. M. Kwok, Mr. S. C. Pank, Mr. B. L. Pond, Mr. N. Sui F. Sze, Mr. B. Tennent, Miss A. Viohy, Mrs. Li Shu Koh, Miss Hui Hing Fu, Miss Pok Sang Hon, Miss Hoo Cahn, Miss Suo Wai, Mrs. H. Y. K. Tang, Mr. D. S. Wong, Mr. W. B. Yee, Mr. W. F. Wong, Mr. A. A. Garrett, Mr. A. Chan, Mr. H. S. Chan, Mr. P. C. Chang, Mr. Y. Y. Ching, Mr. C. C. Chin, Miss W. Y. Dung, Mr. E. de Silva, Mr. S. K. Fung, Mr. L. C. Ho, Mr. B. H. Lee, Mr. H. P. Leong, Miss Liang, Mr. Y. L. Liu, Mr. K. F. Pank, Miss L. Pank, Miss M. C. Pank, Miss M. H. Pank, Mr. Y. C. Ng, Mr. C. A. Ng, Mr. P. Y. Lee, Mrs. S. C. Wong, Mr. Y. S. Wong, Mr. C. T. Wong, Mrs. Leung Sze Wong, Infant Wong, Mr. Y. T. Yang, Mr. C. S. Yag, Mr. W. C. Yang, Mr. P. K. Hong.

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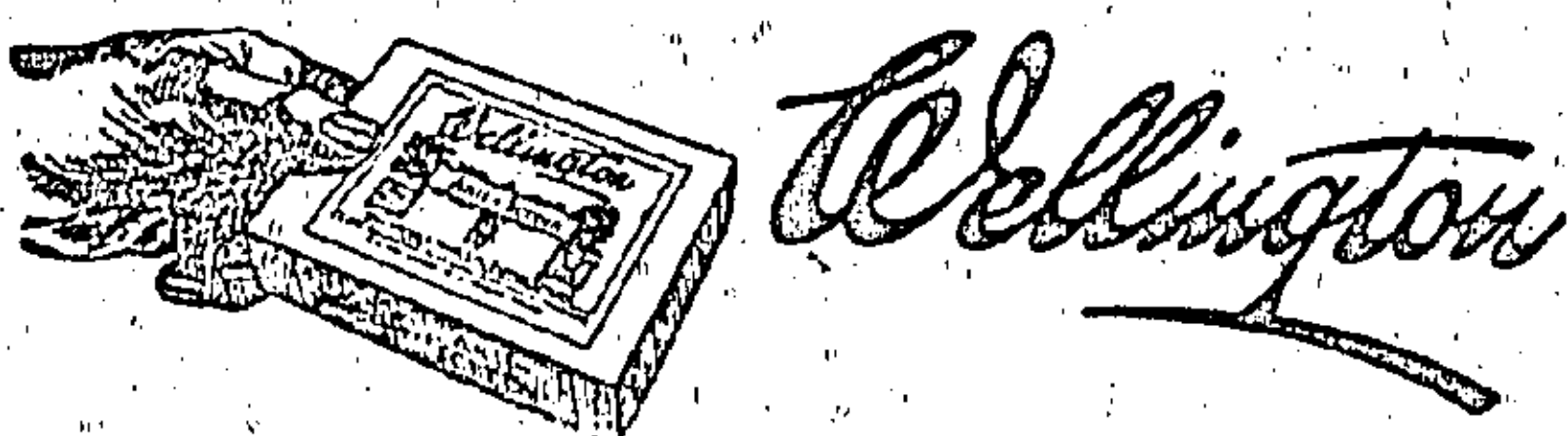
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THE CHILD-MIND.

ATTITUDE TO LIFE.

The London Observer, in reviewing Dr. C. W. Kimmins' book, "The Child's Attitude to Life" says:—"Dr. Kimmins is a notable collector of children's dreams, whether they are fantasies of the night or, as in this volume, day-dreams. His records ought to be known to every psychologist, and to every parent and teacher who has a sense of psychology, or, still better, a real sense of humour. Dr. Kimmins is, happily, no expert in psycho-analysis; and the best thing we can do is to enjoy his stories. Analysis is for the few and clever who perform miracles and make mistakes. Dr. Kimmins is a great observer, who makes no mistakes in observation and few in comment."

"The very simple interpretation of sacred things by little children indicates the first stage in the child's outlook on such matters. It is interesting to notice in the stories of the 'naïveté' of children (we must not mind if our author tends to write better sense than English) the gradual development of a sense of justice in regard to discipline, and a definite attitude towards the claims of authority."

The point which might have been more explicitly worked is that a child—I cannot away with the expression, "the child," nor with the sentences and sentiments to which it gives rise in our educational prose—naturally tends to get his fantasies and his realities into better relation with one another, if he is let alone (the first step to rightful education). Thus he develops his sense of justice. Another point is that a child naturally finds, in life, that things do not happen so justly, as they ought. Thus he develops the sense of that "ought" which is religion. The young materialist, or "young delinquent," has missed his chance of worshipping the ought in life. He makes it a naught, and is "naughty."

Dr. Kimmins' stories are amusing and tragic. A boy of four had his faith "shocked"—not in Santa Claus, surely, but in the sanctities of the day, by seeing a "father," otherwise correctly garbed as Father Christmas, but wearing a bowler hat and carrying a stick, whom he greeted, with unconscious irony, as "Charlie Christmas."

The element of make-believe, however (as Dr. Kimmins patiently observes) "gradually weakens." It is not surprising. This book might have been called, clumsily, but with some truth, "The Child's Attitude to the Parents' Attitude to Life." For a child's emergence from childlike fantasy is almost always into grown-up fantasy, that grown-up self-protection against reality which only religion and philosophy of life can convert into an assimilation of reality.

There is a chance that we may become aware of a realism that grows, stark, but still full of children's love, as they learn the coinship between dream and reality; and there is a chance that we may learn the infinite and god-like patience of children, even though they scream the universe down occasionally, like ourselves, because we don't understand it.

According to the latest census, the population of Peking has risen to 811,138, consisting of 515,569 males and 295,578 females. Of the male population, 11,597 are officials in the various governmental ministries and departments while over 100,000 men are described as job-hunters, lodging in hotels or the residences of relatives and friends.

A JUNK DEALER'S CARELESSNESS.

HIS NEGLECT TO MAKE ADEQUATE ENTRIES.

The plea that a Chinese was ignorant of what metal went into the engine of a motor car was submitted by Mr. B. McCallum at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, when a marine stores dealer was charged before Mr. J. H. B. Nihill with making false entries on the 3rd and 4th instant in his purchase book and with failing to make any entry in his book on the 2nd instant.

The case arose out of the arrest of an electrician formerly employed in the Chung Hing Bus Company, who was sentenced to two months' hard labour at the Magistracy for the theft of the broken parts of a motor car engine.

The dealer was defended by Mr. McCallum, who entered a technical plea of guilty and said that the parts of machinery when purchased from the man who committed the theft, were entered in the books as light pewter.

Mr. McCallum's contention was that the average Chinese could not be expected to know as well as a European the difference between the various metals. When the defendant's foki purchased the machinery parts he entered in his books what he thought was correct.

Inspector Pincott, prosecuting, intimated that should Mr. McCallum contest the ownership of the stolen property he would apply for a remand, as the owner, the proprietor of the Chung Hing Motor Bus Company was at present in prison for debt.

Fictitious Names.

Inspector Pincott pointed out to the Court that the purchaser in buying the goods, had failed to give the seller's occupation. The names were also fictitious.

Mr. McCallum then asked that the evidence be taken.

The Chinese sentenced to imprisonment for theft was called and admitted stealing the metals which he sold at the defendant's stall on three different days. He was not asked for his name and address. The transactions were carried out between the witness and defendant's foki.

Answering Mr. McCallum, witness said that the metal was *hang shak* (light pewter).

An interpreter of the Yau-mati Police Station gave evidence of the translation of the defendant's purchase book. In two cases the entries were for the sale of light pewter. On the second occasion a quantity of raw iron was also bought.

His Worship during the course of the case pointed out to Mr. McCallum that the most important omission made by the defendant was that of failing to obtain full particulars about the seller, in not asking for his name and address.

The defendant in the box said that his foki bought the metal and he heard him asking the seller for his name and address.

The foki gave corroborative evidence.

His Worship convicted and imposed a fine of \$50 on the first two charges. The third charge of failing to make an entry relating to the purchase of goods on the 2nd instant was dismissed.

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SANITARY BOARD.

DR. OZORIO AND HIS REASONS.

Yesterday we stated that Dr. Ozorio, formerly a candidate for the Sanitary Board, was not now contesting the seat because Dr. Ho was successful at the initial election.

Dr. Ozorio states he is withdrawing for private reasons, the letter which was sent to the Hon. Colonial Secretary reading as follows:

"With reference to previous correspondence, we are now instructed by Dr. Ozorio to inform you, for the information of his Excellency the Governor, that, owing to certain private reasons, he does not desire to act as a member of the Sanitary Board and to unreservedly withdraw all his



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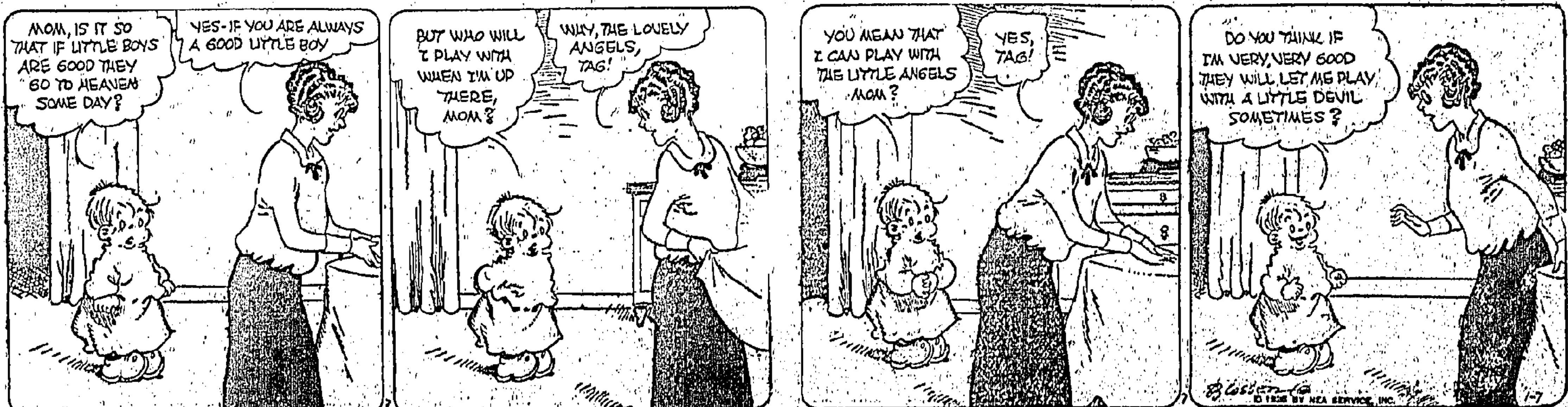
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THE BOYCOTT.

Reports, quite insistent in character, are being received from Canton to the effect that the Government there has come to the conclusion that a final effort should be made to terminate the boycott which has persisted now for so many months. The saner elements amongst Chinese and foreigners alike, both in Canton and here in this Colony, are one in the hope that there is good ground for thinking that these reports accurately reflect the situation. As we have on many occasions pointed out, the boycott is a double-edged weapon, and in the present instance its operation is injuring Canton just as much as it is hurting Hongkong. It would therefore be in the mutual interests of both places if a settlement could be reached without further delay.

The recent political developments in Canton have been followed here with the keenest of interest, and it is only stating the facts to say that there is general gratification felt at the circumstance that what looked like being a nasty crisis has been averted. What is still more satisfactory is the apparent triumph of the moderates over the extremists. General Chang Kai-shek emerges from the situation as the man of the hour, and it would seem that he is at the moment the dominating figure in Canton. His coup of March last, followed up by his uncompromising attitude towards the Communists at the Kuomintang Convention, serves to show that he is not only an able soldier, but that he has very definite ideas as to the dangers of permitting the extremists to gain the upper hand in South China. Moreover, the material support which he is able to give to Government leaders who believe in a policy of political moderation is such as to warrant the hope that a period of useful activity, along the lines of consolidation and reconstruction, lies before the Canton authorities. At the moment, however, there appears a possibility of a military campaign of some importance being undertaken, but well-wishers of Canton will unite in the hope that no prolonged interference with peaceful conditions will result. Given calm and quietude, with the free flow of trade assured, there is no reason why an era of real prosperity should not dawn for Canton.

It will indeed be good news if it is confirmed that the Canton authorities have decided to take a strong stand in regard to the boycott pickets, who have been a source of untold annoyance and a big obstacle to trade for so many months now. For its own reputation's sake, the Canton Government surely cannot tolerate the activities of these trouble-makers much longer. The outside world will begin to have faith and confidence in the Government so soon as it asserts itself against this illegal combination, which has too long been a law unto itself. The dispersing of these pickets and the final lifting of the boycott will be found to add immensely to the trade activity of Canton as a port, and in the general prosperity which results, the authorities will assuredly find a bigger and more steady flow of revenue into its coffers.

Doubtful Wisdom.

The action of the American Embassy in Berlin in refusing to visit a passport for Capt. Karl Boy-Ed who wished to travel to America, brings back recollection of the war-time activities of German agents in America when that country was still a neutral. For her own protection, America had to pass very strict neutrality regulations, but, as was natural for belligerents desirous of getting supplies and all those other things which might help towards victory, there was much plotting and scheming by the subjects of the countries at war for the purpose of evading those regulations. Capt. Karl Boy-Ed was a Naval Attaché at the German Embassy in Washington and it was discovered that he was mixed up in a plot hatched by four officials of a shipping line to violate the neutrality regulations by supplying German warships which were to be met somewhere at sea by the Companies vessels. Just what was the measure of official backing or knowledge of such a plot was never divulged, but the very stern disciplinary act of asking for the withdrawal of Capt. Boy-Ed was taken by the Washington Government. All through those comparatively early days of the war, there were stories of plots and intrigues by the nationals of various belligerents, and Germany was not by any manner of means, the only country that sought to obtain illicit succour from the most powerful non-belligerent. We are not sure whether the American authorities are, at this time of day, doing just the right thing by denying the right of travel to Capt. Boy-Ed. The aim should be to get away from the late war and all its animosities, and to break down as much as possible the arbitrary barriers of geographical boundaries. There were many worse acts during the late war than the breaking of a neutrality regulation, acts which have long since been forgiven and forgotten because they were committed under the stress of war and for a loyal and patriotic motive. It is 10½ years ago since Capt. Boy-Ed was asked to leave America under quite extraordinary circumstances, and we do not see the force or wisdom of denying him for all time the rights of a visitor.

A great deal is heard of the wonderful irrigation projects of Egypt, and not enough of the stupendous schemes now being brought to fruition by the officers of the Indian Public Works Department (says the *Pioneer Mail*). The foremost of these is that known as the Sudd Valley Project designed to irrigate several million acres of land hitherto doomed to desert desolation. The best engineering brains have been behind this ambitious project; first, Sir John Benton, the great Punjab engineer whose name will for ever be associated with the famous Triple Project; then Mr. H. W. M. Ives, Chief Engineer of the Eastern part of the Punjab; and finally, Mr. E. R. Foy, whose tender nursing of this gigantic child over a space of many years has just earned for him a well-merited C.I.E.

DAY BY DAY.

FOOLS AND SENSIBLE MEN ARE EQUALLY INOCUOUS. IT IS IN THE HALF FOOLS AND THE HALF WISE THAT THE GREATEST DANGER LIES.—Goethe.

To-morrow is the anniversary of the death of Confucius (*Sheng Tsun-jih*).

The health return for yesterday shows one case of cerebro-spinal fever and one case of rabies. Both were Chinese.

Mr. W. E. Saddler, of the Chinese Maritime Customs, Wuchow, arrived in the Colony yesterday on the s.s. Patahan, and was admitted to hospital on arrival.

A marriage arranged between Lieutenant E. A. A. Gibbon, R. N. H.M.S. Hermes, and Miss Marjorie Dyce Kiddle, of Amberley, Stroud, will take place early in May at Malta.

Amongst the passengers who arrived by the Empress of Russia were Sir Shou-son and Lady Chow, Mr. J. H. Taggart, Mr. A. H. Compton, Mr. A. L. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cameron, and Mr. C. G. Anderson.

The late Mr. John Kintrea Grant, of Cragmor Sanatorium, Colorado Springs, Colorado, U.S.A. formerly of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, left £19,391 (personal estate in Great Britain).

A hand truck from one of the streets, leading on to the Central Prison over-ran the sea wall yesterday afternoon and fell into a junk which was moored alongside. The daughter of the boatmistress was badly injured and had to be treated at the Government Civil Hospital.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day:—Bellerophon, Perim, Pres. Adams, Atrous, Telemachus, Pres. Madison, Glensanda, Tingsang Tjikarang, Tingo Maru, Nagato Maru, Hosang, Bumacus, Kidderpore, M. S. Hermes, Mausang and Nagano Maru.

Messrs. Dodwell and Co. are in receipt of a telegram from Tientsin informing them that at a meeting of Directors of the Chinese Engineering & Mining Co., Ltd., in London, an interim dividend of 1/- per share, free of tax, was declared on account of the year ending 30th June, 1926, payable on 26th May, 1926.

Mr. J. Hooper, accountant of the Godown and "Star" Ferry Companies, is leaving for Home on retirement by the Empress of Russia on the 28th instant. He has been in the Colony for 34 years, during which time he has made a host of friends, who will much regret his departure. Mr. D. Logan is to succeed Mr. Hooper.

A letter has been received from the Rev. T. B. Powell, who left the Colony yesterday, expressing his grateful thanks and appreciation for the parting gift from his many friends at St. John's Cathedral. In his letter Mr. Powell says that he is carrying with him happy memories and the hope that the friendships he has made here may be renewed from time to time.

The annual reunion of the Victoria Diocesan Association (a Hongkong body in London) is to take place on June 2 at Victoria House, Leicester-square, W. C. 2, when the chairman will be Sir Frederick Lugard, a former Governor of Hongkong, and among the speakers will be Sir Claud Severn, late Colonial Secretary; H. E. the Chinese Minister, and the Rev. C. B. Shann, Warden of St. John's Hall, Hongkong University.

The police have received a report regarding the loss, or theft, of a registered packet containing 224. The packet was given by W. H. Newman, of H.M. Dockyard, to a Messenger of the Royal Naval Armaments Depot to take to the Post Office. The cover was addressed to the Manager of Barclay's Bank, Osbourne Road, Southsea. It contained a cheque No. 530/7493 dated 31/5/26 on Lloyd's Bank, Winton, Bournemouth. Before going to the Post Office the Messenger called at a hat shop in Wellington Street. When he left this shop the packet was in his possession, but by the time he reached the China Building, Queen's Road Central, it had disappeared.

21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are extracted from the Telegraph files for the week ended May 23rd, 1905:—

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 10 11/16d.

An announcement states that the Hongkong High Level Tramway Company has agreed to sell its undertaking to a new Company, which will also acquire Mr. Findlay Smith's proposed concession. The price paid to the shareholders of the old Company is given as \$200 per share, and it is notified that the new concern will be managed by Messrs. J. D. Humphrey and Son.

In the Governor's Cup contest between members of the Volunteer Reserve Association, Mr. J. C. Gow made the highest score—66 out of a possible 70.

A Shanghai message states that Messrs. Butterfield and Swire have sold seven ships to the belligerent Powers—Russia and Japan.

The Kowloon Bowling Club advertises a promenade concert on its grounds, the price of admission being 50 cents.

The 20th annual report of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co., Ltd., showed net profits totalling £119,172. After an interim dividend of 5 per cent. on the old shares, a further 5 per cent. on these shares and 10 per cent. on the new shares was proposed.

Messrs. J. D. Humphreys and Son notify that Mr. Hart Buck has severed his connection with the firm.

Tribute are paid to Mr. W. J. Gresson, head of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd., on leaving for Shanghai. Mention is particularly made of his sporting activities.

KHALIFAT CONGRESS.

IMPRESSIVE CLOSING SCENES.

Cairo, May 20. Rapt listeners at the closing session of the Khalifat Congress were so impressed at the reading of the second Committee's report that many shed tears. The Committee decided that the Khalifat, as defined by the Koran, including the defence of Islam and Moslem lands and the execution of the Koranic Law, was impossible to apply to the present state of Islam and the position of the Khalifat. It recommended that an Islamic Congress be held periodically until time permits to institute the Khalifat in a form consistent with the interests of the Moslem world.—*Reuter*.

The Shanghai Municipal Gazette will be published on Friday instead of on Thursday as heretofore. In addition, in order to facilitate the publication of items of interest in the local Chinese Press, translations will be made by the Council and handed to Chinese newspaper representatives on Thursday afternoon.

At an extraordinary general meeting of William Powell Ltd., the capital was increased from \$120,000 to \$150,000 by the creation of 3,000 new shares.

It is announced that Mr. S. Silverstone has been appointed Hongkong agent for the Pacific Mail Co.

The name of Mr. A. R. F. Raven is added to the list of authorised architects.

The appointment of Mr. (now Sir) Cecil Clementi as Assistant Land Officer in the New Territories is gazetted.

The seventh annual report of the Star Ferry Co., Ltd., showed net earnings of \$56,692, compared with \$55,684 for the previous year. An 18 per cent. dividend was proposed.

The Very Idea!

Mrs. Frederick Anness and Mrs. Arthur C. Stratford entertained a group of fourteen young women yesterday at luncheon in New York followed by a matinee. The event was in honour for fifty members and their friends whose marriage to Mr. Howard Bumsted will take place this month.—From the woman's page of a Jersey City paper.

Remember the stories you used to be told about how such and such a man owed his life to the fact that he carried a vest-pocket testament? How he was shot and would have been killed if the bullet hadn't lodged in his Bible, over his heart?

There was quite a moral attached to it. It supported the idea that it was good to carry a Bible.

Very well; what moral is there in the following? A news dispatch from New York tells of a man who was shot at close range but escaped injury. He had a pack of cards in his vest pocket and they stopped the bullet.

The average British family spends 22 a year for soap. And that's where the boys get it in the neck.

"The two of us," friend hubby said, "Can live as cheap as one." And then they found that living cheap was anything but fun.

London beauty experts solemnly announce that, since the short skirt is here to stay, they will set about it to make the feminine ankle more beautiful. Which sounds like gilding refined gold. Take a stroll down Queen's Road any fine day and ask yourself if the average feminine ankle needs any beautifying.

A moth is no fool. He never of fancies anything cheaper than a dress suit if there is one hanging around.

At a conference of coloured preachers a visiting bishop was made a girl love to hear him talk looking at the various examination is for him to talk about her.

The owner of a rammed earth house, in Washington, D.C., recently abandoned an attempt to tear down the walls 'cause they were so hard. Wonder if he'd like to borrow the children next door.

A man gives his wife money to buy decent clothes—and then she goes and invests in the latest styles.

He found his brilliant diamond ring Was paste, and did he holler? Why, sure—it dawned on him that he Was out a half a dollar.

She was driving her new car for the first time and couldn't understand how the policeman could accuse her of going forty miles an hour, when she'd only been out fifteen minutes.

The problem of the modern woman becomes harder and harder. Having with difficulty learned how to dress to suit her looks, her figure, her dog, and her husband, she now reads:—

The more, civilisation has advanced, the more it has become necessary to build up the costumes that are worn; and in so doing harmonise them with the new styles of architecture which are now adopted in the reconstruction of our cities. One can only commiserate a lady of the new 'taste' who walks down Regent-street, and finds herself in the position of the chameleon on the tartan.

LLOYD GEORGE AND
LIBERALISM.

WILL HE SECEDE?

London, May 20. In view of rumours that Mr. Lloyd George is seceding from the Liberal Party it is noteworthy that it has been intimated to-day that Mr. Lloyd George has written to Sir Godfrey Collins, the Chief Liberal Whip, indicating that no useful purpose would be served by his continued attendance at the so-called "Shadow Cabinet" composed of the principal Liberal leaders.—*Reuter*.

EXPLANATION AND DENIAL.

Later. It is reliably declared that the resignation by Mr. Lloyd George of the Chairmanship of the Liberal Party and leadership in the House of Commons has never been considered.

It now appears that the letter mentioned earlier was written with reference to a meeting of the Shadow Cabinet convened during the strike, and that Mr. Lloyd George decided not to attend on the ground that Liberal policy in connection with it had already been declared by Lord Oxford and Viscount Grey in the *British Gazette*.—*Reuter*.

RESULT OF GOVERNMENT
SUPPORT.

New York, May 20. Ambassador Berenger, prior to his departure for France, opined that the French Parliament would ratify the Franco-American debt-funding settlement, in the absence of which no revaluation or stabilization of the franc was possible. The French Government decision to support the franc has resulted in speculators, on the decline, turning buyers and the franc was forced to 3.01 as compared with yesterday's 2.95 closing rate. Belgians advanced sympathetically, and also French and Belgian Government securities.—*Reuter's American Service*.

RABIES DEATHS.

TWO CHINESE SUCCUMB TO
BITES.

Two further deaths have marked the outbreak of rabies in the Colony, both the victims being young Chinese boys.

A nine-year old boy, named Fung Chun-wan, residing at 258, Queen's Road West, second floor, died in the Government Civil Hospital, soon after admission, from rabies. According to a statement made by the father, the lad ran into the house on April 19th, when he complained of having been bitten by an unknown dog while he was playing in Queen's Road West. Chinese medicine was applied to the wound and no further notice was taken of it. The boy became seriously ill, however, and on the advice of Dr. Lee, he was removed to hospital, where he died.

Inspector Strange, of the Sanitary Department, has reported that he has sent a dog to Kennedy Town belonging to a Chinese living at 13, Chun Sing Street, first floor, having received information that it bit a Chinese boy aged nine years, who lived at 9, Clarence Street. The boy died in the Tung Wah Hospital.

The boy was bitten on April 20th, on the left hand, and when he told his parents they searched for the dog but were unable to find it. The wound, which was a slight one, was dressed, and the boy kept in good health until May 10th, when he became ill and was taken to the hospital. He died on the same day that he was admitted.

ARGENTINE'S NAVY.

NINE NEW SMALL BOATS.

Buenos Aires, May 20. The Cabinet has authorised the expenditure of \$32,000,000 for the purchase of small warships, including two small cruisers, three submarines, two destroyers and two gunboats, of a total tonnage of 15,000 tons.

Admiral Galindrez will proceed to London soon in this connection.—*Reuter's American Service*.

An unknown Chinese, aged about 24, was found by the police at King's Park, Kowloon, suffering from the effects of strangulation, apparently inflicted by means of his girdle, with which he attempted to hang himself. The man was alive when found, but died after being removed to the Kwong Wah Hospital.

CHILD WORKERS.

CANTON ORGANISATION
SCHEME.

We notice from Canton papers that a movement is on foot to organise the children of workers, with a view, it is stated, of promoting their welfare.

There has just been formed a Canton-Hongkong Boy Workers' Association, amongst the objects of which are stated to be "all sorts of adequate amusements, sports, physical drill, songs, parades, meetings, study, debates, lectures, etc."

The idea is to extend the movement to all parts of China, "and add much strength to the revolution." An appeal issued by the Association concludes:—"Young comrades, apprentices and all little working comrades.—Do you want to have co-operation, education, sports and amusements? If you do, please quickly join and help us."

MAJOR GEN. LUARD.

INDISPOSED IN SHANGHAI.

Last Saturday afternoon, Major General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., inspected the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, being accompanied by the D. A. A. Q. M. G. Major Macready, and Lieut. K. Q. F. Johnston, A.D.C.

There were 1,059 officers and

CHINESE EXECUTED.

Sequel to Shanghai
Incident.

Shanghai, May 21. The Police Commissioner's report for April states that the Chinese, Lan Ho-sang, who fired from the New World building on June 2nd, 1925, shooting an American Volunteer and killing his pony, has been executed by the Chinese authorities, after trial by the Mixed Court.

It is significant from the Chinese standpoint that the man was "beheaded" and not shot. Accused made a graphic confession before his execution.—*Reuter*.

men on parade, and they presented a very smart appearance.

Subsequent to the parade, it was learned that General Luard was indisposed. In the circumstances he was unable to attend the annual inspection dinner given by the Officers' Mess. It is understood that an attack of fever occurred on Saturday, but it was satisfactory to learn that he was much better on the following day. In the circumstances the principal speech at the officers' mess dinner was made by Mr. Fessenden, who congratulated the Corps upon the excellent showing that had been made at the inspection.

PROHIBITION ISSUE.

U. S. POLITICAL DEVELOP-
MENT.

New York, May 20.

The success of Mr. William Vare, the Philadelphia political "boss," in winning the Republican nomination as the Pennsylvania candidate for the Senate is considered in astute political quarters to indicate that Prohibition will be the outstanding issue in the Presidential campaign of 1928.

Vare, who made the liquor question practically the only issue of the campaign, defeated by 100,000 votes, such strong rivals as Governor Pinchot and Mr. Tupper, the latter being supported by President Coolidge and the Cabinet.—*Reuter's American Service*.

FRANC IMPROVES.

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Washington, May 20. Addressing the House of Representatives Ways and Means Com-

LATE ITEMS.

AHEAD OF THE MAIL.

Baghdad, April 29th.—A new navigation channel from the Persian Gulf into the Shatt al Arab was opened to-day in the presence of King Faisal, the Acting High Commissioner, the Officer Commanding the Air Force, and a large gathering of British officials and Iraq notables, who travelled from Basrah for the occasion.

The dredging of the new channel will eliminate the necessity of lightering the Anglo-Persian Oil Company's tankers laden with oil from Abadan.

CANADIAN LIQUOR SCANDAL.

Ottawa, April 30.—The Special Committee which is enquiring into the charges of fraud in the administration of customs and excise laws has referred to the House of Commons evidence in respect of alleged acceptance by Civil Service Commissioners, Rochelle and Jameson, of gifts of liquor from a Montreal Customs official, which was described as gauges samples. Jameson and La Rochelle swore that they did not know that the liquor was from the Customs. They have now, on the Prime Minister's suggestion, tendered their resignation pending the presentation of the Committee's report to Parliament and Parliament's action on it.

LADY HOUSTON SUFFERING
FROM DELUSIONS.

London, May 2.—The appointment of Lady Houston as co-executor of her husband's large estate will have to be varied in consequence of the finding of the Jersey Court, which, after hearing the evidence of six of the principal residents, whom it had previously warned to interview her ladyship and ascertain the state of her mind and body, had come to the conclusion that it was desirable to appoint a curator to look after her person and property. The evidence showed that she was suffering from delusions of being persecuted to be murdered.

Mr. Churchill in the House of Commons a few days ago expressed the opinion that there were good prospects of securing death duties on the whole of Sir R. P. Houston's estate.

SPANISH PROFESSOR EXILED.

London, April 30.—Professor Asua of the Faculty of Law at Madrid University has been deported to the Island of Chafarinas on the ground, according to an official announcement, that he incited students to protest against certain acts of the Government.

The announcement adds that during the ceremony of installing a distinguished scholar to the Chair of Greek, at the University of Salamanca, a number of students, stirred by the foolish remarks of Professor Asua, created a disturbance which led to their arrest and the sentence of a fortnight's imprisonment.

Professor Asua, who has been attacking the Government at home and abroad, will remain at Chafarinas as long as it is deemed desirable. It is unnecessary for the Government to justify its action in view of the recent agitation of pseudo-intellectuals.

It is noteworthy that the new Professor of Greek at Salamanca is a priest. His predecessor, Professor Unamuno, was exiled.

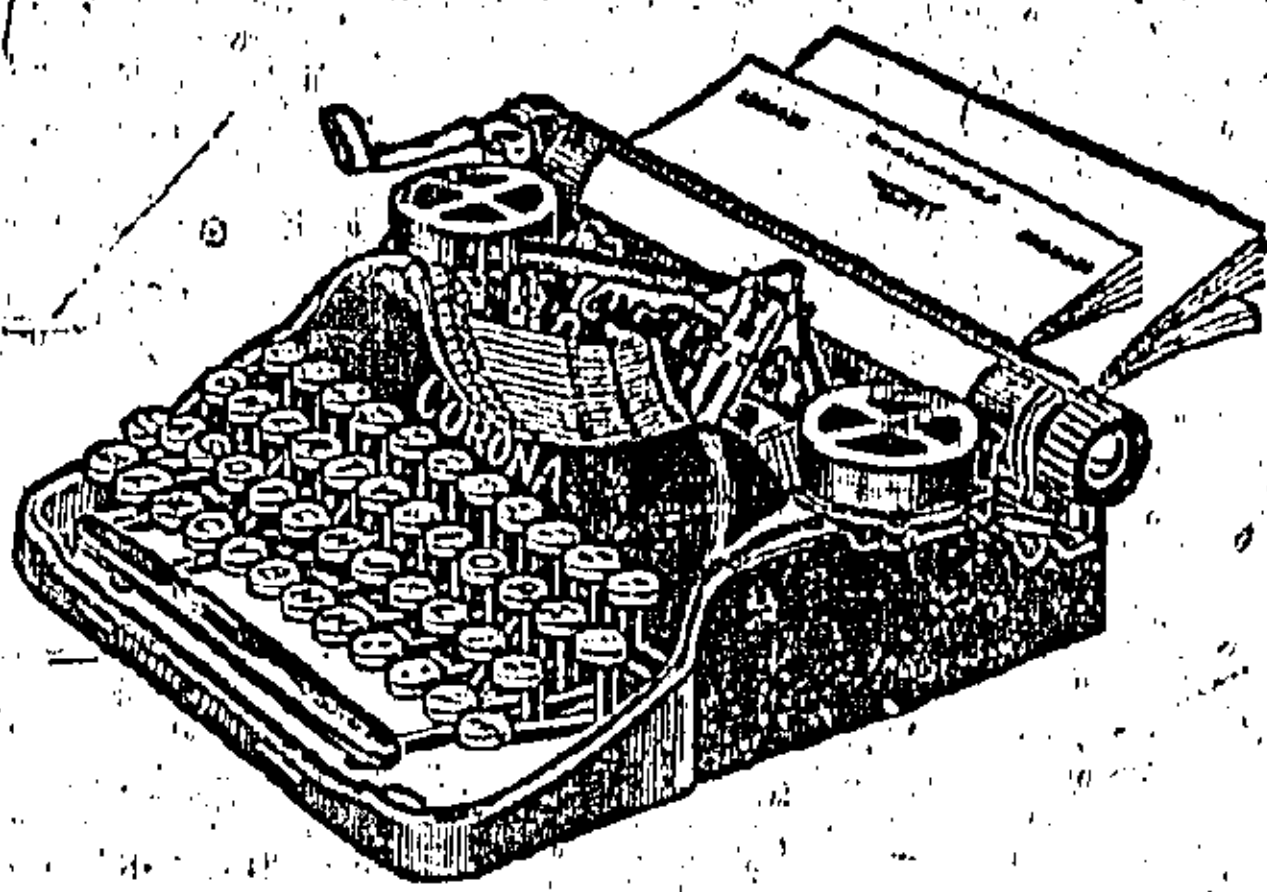
FATAL FIGHT ON A SHIP.

Penang, May 13.—After retiring for fifteen minutes at the Assizes the jury returned a verdict of not guilty against Goh Keng Long, a fireman, aboard the Seang Bee, who was charged with causing the death of a greaser on board the vessel Tan Khai Meng on March 22nd. The accused was acquitted.

The defence put forward was that other members of the crew threatened the accused with bamboo pipes and the accused, in self-defence, brought out a tool used by fitters and unintentionally stabbed the deceased.

A raid on a shop at Singapore when \$44,000 worth of chandu was discovered was recalled, and it was contended that the accused was looked upon by the others as an informer, and that this incident, before the alleged murder took place, proved an excellent reason for the row. When threatened the accused naturally defended himself.

mittee, Mr. Mellon predicated that when France had concluded her debt settlement with Britain as well as with the United States, she would be able to stabilize her currency.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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MAN WHO FORGETS.

LOSS OF MEMORY 16 YEARS

A man of whom a doctor declared that:—"He has been suffering from loss of memory for 16 years; He does not remember his marriage; Is not responsible for his crimes" puzzled judge and jury at London Sessions recently.

He was Lawrence Hallam, aged 35, a merchant, described as a "man of high intelligence" and the jury found him "guilty but insane."

He was charged with obtaining money and goods from West-end tradesmen by false pretences. Dr. Watson, medical officer of Brixton Prison, with 23 years' prison experience, said this was an extraordinary case.

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The man had been suffering from loss of memory for 16 years. Witness had watched him, and at times he was oblivious to his surroundings. He had tested him in every possible way, but had never "caught him out."

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high intelligence.

He had arrived at the conclusion that the man was perfectly sane and was not certifiable. He was also of opinion that he was in an abnormal condition of mind at the time of the offences, which made him irresponsible.

A detective said Hallam knew several languages. Witness had been told there was insanity in the family.

During the war he was confined in Germany from 1914 to 1918, and when he came back he was a physical wreck.

After the jury had returned their verdict it was mentioned to Sir Robert Wallace (chairman) that there was an extradition warrant out against Hallam from Switzerland.

Sir Robert said he thought representation should be made to those responsible for obtaining the warrant. He hoped they would not proceed farther, in view of the verdict.

The only sentence he could pass was that Hallam should be detained till his Majesty's pleasure was known. As the man was now sane his friends should act promptly with regard to his release, he added.

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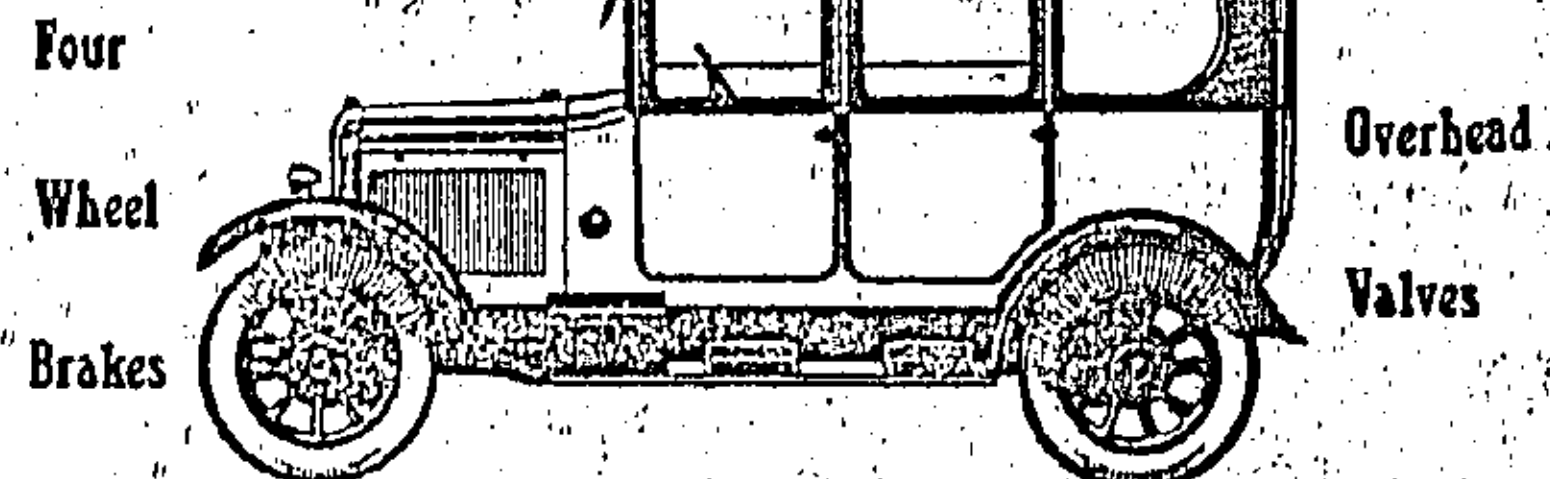
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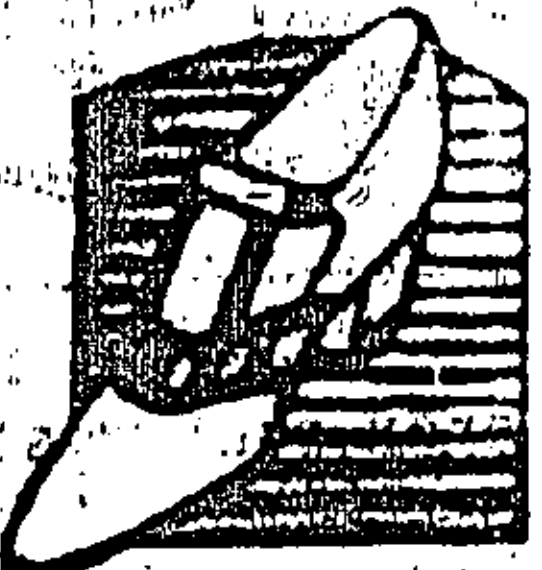
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Falling only two short of four hundred in their only innings against Essex, Yorkshire, the champions, won their third match this season with an innings to spare. Actually they won by an innings and 124 runs.

Holmes, Oldroyd and Rhodes all passed the half century, and Macaulay was again in form with the ball. The scores were:

Yorkshire: 398.
Essex: 126 and 149.

Yorkshire lost Sutcliffe early on but Oldroyd and Holmes in partnership were not separated until the Tykes had passed the 150 mark. Holmes scored all round the wicket for 86 and Oldroyd contributed 81 to the total. Rhodes, going in fifth wicket down, carried his bat for 61 not out.

The Essex men could do nothing with Macaulay in reply, and he took five wickets for seven runs.

A Notts Victory.

With a margin of only three runs to spare on the first innings, Notts defeated Worcestershire at Worcester by seven wickets. Worcester failed lamentably in their second innings, Richmond taking six wickets for 16 runs in a total of eighty-eight. The scores were:

Worcester: 179 and 88.
Notts: 132 and 86 (for three wickets).

Fox, batted superbly in the Worcester first innings. He scored 61 and was not out at the close. Larwood secured five victims at a cost of 47 runs, just under ten apiece.

George Gunn was top scorer with 58 in the Notts first innings, and Wilson, the new Worcester bowler, came out with the excellent figures 6 for 77.

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Wedel's Four for Four!

The wicket at Northampton where Northants and Gloucester clashed was a "bowler's paradise," and the analysis revealed remarkable figures for the attack of the sides.

Gloucester collapsed utterly at their initial essay, and opened their second innings 72 runs in arrears. Dipper came to the rescue, going in first and scoring 85 in a not out innings, thus laying the foundation for a lead of 138. Northants in the face of that small total scored exactly half and suffered defeat by 69 runs. The scores were:

Gloucester: 54 and 210.
Northants: 126 and 69.

Thomas was the principal cause of Gloucester's first innings collapse, his five wickets costing only eighteen runs. Dipper's splendid defence had little effect on V. M. C. Jupp's figures. He took eight Gloucester wickets for 71 runs in their second attempt.

Parker in the course of the match took 11 wickets for 96 runs. In first Northants innings he took 7 for 62, and in the second 4 for 34. His second innings effort was eclipsed by Wedel, the change bowler who had the sensational figures four wickets for four runs!—*Reuter*.

BILLIARDS.

CLAUD FAULKNER TO VISIT HONGKONG.

Billiards enthusiasts will be pleased to hear that Claud Faulkner, the expert billiardist, is coming to Hongkong next week and will play here. The first match for him hitherto announced is to be at the Chinese Club, where the visitor will play Mr. Leung Kam-kong, who a few years ago held the championship of the Colony and is still the leading local Chinese exponent of the game.

The match is to take place on Wednesday, May 26, commencing at 9 p.m. The seating accommodation is limited, but members are invited to be present with their friends. Tickets, \$3 each, may be had at the Club.

AUSTRALIAN TOUR.

ENTHOVEN'S HEROIC EFFORT.

London, May 20.

A brave effort by the Cambridge captain, H. J. Enthoven, was the feature of to-day's play in the match at Cambridge between the University and the Australians. He was at the wicket for no less than three hours and a half, being the only player to make an effective stand.

He batted heroically scoring 93 out of a total of 212, and claimed eight boundary hits.

When play opened in dull weather there were eight thousand spectators. The wicket was soft after the rain, and after an hour or so of play became very tricky. Ryder was the most effective of the visiting bowlers. He took six wickets for 74 runs.

In reply, the tourists hit up 165 for four wickets before stumps were drawn.

W. M. Woodfull was again in form, and at the conclusion he had made sixty-four runs and was undefeated.—*Reuter*.

YESTERDAY'S TENNIS.

GREEN WINS SURPRISINGLY EASY.

As expected, S. E. Green defeated G. W. Sewell in the semi-final of the Handicap Singles "A" at the Cricket Club yesterday, but the completeness of his victory came as a total surprise in view of Sewell's display against him in the Championship.

Green won 6-2, 6-1, when required to give Sewell a point in three games of six, and there was no semblance of a fluke about the performance. Sewell did not play badly, but Green's placing was wonderfully accurate, and he kept his opponent continually on the run.

When the pair met in the Championship, Sewell carried Green to five sets.

Three finals are down for decision to-day including the Open Championship Singles in which Honda is opposed to S. A. Rum-jahn. It is not anticipated that Honda will have any real difficulty in recovering the championship he lost to Capt. C. D. O'Callaghan last year.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Grimble meet O. C. Womack and Mrs. Child in the final of the Mixed Doubles, and Green meets Major W. B. Stevenson in the final of the Handicap Singles "A."

JAPANESE TRIUMPH.

IN SHANGHAI CYCLE RACE.

The International cycle race in the French Concession at Shanghai proved a great success, and augurs well for the future of the event as an annual one. The weather was excellent, though a trifle on the warm side, and in spite of the counter attraction provided by the S. V. C. church parade, which always draws a large number of spectators, a big crowd was present to watch the race.

The Japanese scored heavily, both in the individual and the team events. Their team provided the first three men home, in the following order: S. Nagahama, K. Toyama and M. Goto. The English team came in second with the French team third, though there was little to choose between the latter two; on points they were even, with 21 each, but when the average time of each man was taken the English had a slight advantage.

The course was from Avenue Petain, down the Sicaewell Road, along Avenue du Roi Albert and up Rue Lafayette back to Avenue Petain: the circle was made six times to make up a 25-mile course. Nagahama completed the distance in one hour, 10 min. 50 seconds: Toyama was only one-fifth of a second behind him. The English team have to thank Hopkins, one of their reserves, for a very sporting action which prevented their not being placed at all. Austen was going strong when his machine skidded, and he came down heavily, his cycle being smashed. Hopkins then came along, well in the running for a place, and promptly handed his machine over to his less fortunate colleague, sacrificing his own chances for the good of the team.

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AUDREY BOOMER HEADS STRONG FIELD.

DUNCAN'S WONDERFUL RECOVERY.

London, May 20.

The final thirty-six holes of the Daily Mail £1,200 72-holes tournament were played off at St. Andrews to-day, and Audrey Boomer, maintaining the form which coupled him with George Gadd in the lead after the first day's play, finished three strokes ahead of his nearest rivals, in a field representative of the best British professionals.

Yesterday Audrey Boomer, who is the professional at the St. Cloud club, Paris, went round in 148. To-day he did 149 for an aggregate of 297.

Abe Mitchell and George Duncan tied for second place with an aggregate of three hundred each. Mitchell was consistency itself throughout the tournament. He tallied 150 on both days.

George Duncan provided the sensation of the tournament by going round to-day in 146, the best score during the two days play. He was six strokes behind the leaders yesterday, but took eight strokes less to-day.—*Reuter*.

TENNIS IN JAPAN.

FILIPINO STARS DEFEATED.

Japan, or rather Kansai, jumped into a 2 to 0 lead in the "Mock Davis Cup" matches with the Philippine Davis Cup players on Sunday, when Miki and Matsuura took the first singles matches from Francisco Aragon and Barredo at the new Koshien courts, says the Osaka Mainichi of May 11th. Miki defeated the older of the brothers 4-6, 6-2, 6-4, and 6-3, while Matsuura turned down Barredo 6-1, 8-6 and 9-7. In the exhibition doubles match, the Japanese team of veterans defeated Barredo and Guillermo Aragon in straight sets 6-3, 6-2 and 8-6.

Matsuura took his chance with forceful net play with volleys against chopping defensive play of Barredo, and succeeded in taking the first set easily. In the second and third sets, however, puzzling chopping by Barredo troubled Matsuura and induced him to commit repeated errors on smashing and volleying, but he managed to keep his lead. It was the beautiful placements which Matsuura scored to the number of 23 in the third set that won the set and the match for him in spite of many errors. Throughout the match, the Nankai star took the aggressive against the singles champion of the Philippines.

The match between Miki and Aragon developed into a baseline contest, neither side taking an offensive tactic at the net. The games alternated with the players with less errors winning the points. Toward the end of the fourth match, Miki flashed some dashing tennis with which he is noted for and scored clean passing shots for sets.

The division proved no match against the veteran team of former Davis Cup player and the Far Eastern Olympic champion, in the exhibition doubles match. Kumagae and Yoshida took the first set handily by sending across cannonball service aces which the visitors were unable to handle cleanly. Kumagae's foot trouble bothered him to some extent, but Yoshida carried on much of the burden successfully.

INTERPORT CRICKET.

HONGKONG TEAM LEAVES.

The Hongkong interport cricket team left for the Straits yesterday afternoon by the s.s. Ho Sang.

A special launch took them from Queen's Pier over to the steamer, a number of people being present to wish them an enjoyable and successful trip.

FANLING HUNT.

The hounds will meet at Mr. Potts' Bungalow to-morrow at 3 p.m., but there will be no meet on Sunday.

THE VOLUNTEERS.

LATEST CORPS ORDERS.

Volunteer defence Corps Orders, issued by Major R. Melville Smith, state:

1.—MOUNTED INFANTRY CO.

Practice Parades for Escort Duty to H.E. the Governor on the King's Birthday will be held on the Polo Grounds as under. All those detailed must make every effort to attend:

Thursday, 27th May, at 5.30 p.m., plain clothes.
Friday, 28th May, at 5.30 p.m., plain clothes.
Tuesday, 1st June, at 5.30 p.m., uniform, with rifle.

2.—MOUNTED CAR CO.

Parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, 25th May, 1926, for Machine Gun Instruction, under C.S.M. J. D. Hancock and C.O.M.S. A. E. Kew.
Practice Day: Sunday, 30th May, 1926. Preliminary Orders for parade at Volunteer Headquarters are as follows:

8.30 a.m. C.S.M. Hancock, Sergt. Groves, 6 other Ranks and Ford Truck.

9.15 a.m. Remainder of Company. Operations will start about 12.30 p.m. when firing will be taken and bathing will be possible at Big Wave Bay. Members must make their own arrangements regarding dinner, but the Canton will be in attendance.

Names of all who intend to be present must be sent to Headquarters by Wednesday, 26th May, 1926.

Dress: Uniform, helmets, shorts or breeches, belts, haversacks and water-bottles.

3.—INFANTRY COMPANY.

King's Birthday Parade. The second practice will take place at Volunteer Headquarters on Friday, 21st May, at 5.30 p.m.
Dress: Muff, belt and sidearms.
Everyone must endeavour to turn out to the remaining practices to make a success of the parade on 3rd June, 1926.

4.—RESERVE COMPANY.

Musketry Part I. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 30th May, 1926. All members of the Company who have not yet fired to attend.

Range Officer: 2nd-Lieut. G. K. Holl Brutton.
Launch leaves Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and calls at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m. sharp.

Dress: Uniform optional, but rifles, bayonets, belts and pouches must be taken.
Arms: Will be detailed later.

5.—STRENGTH.

The following are taken on the strength and posted at under:—
No. 1048 Pte. K. M. Logan, N. 7 Platoon, from 13th May, 1926.
No. 1049 Pte. R. K. Valentine, A.C. Co., from 17th May, 1926.

6.—TRANSFERS.

No. 603 Pte. N. C. Barber is transferred from No. 1 Platoon to the Artillery Co. as from 13th May, 1926.
No. 331 Bugler C. T. Evans is transferred from Life and Drum Band to No. 2 Platoon, No. 5 Section, from 18th May, 1926.

7.—LEAVE.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—
No. 528 Pte. G. C. Worrall, M. I. Co., from 15th May, 1926, to 14th May, 1927.
No. 436 Pte. W. J. Hinton, Reserve Co., from 12th May, 1926, to 11th May 1927.
No. 268 Pte. D. D. Urquhart, No. 3 Platoon, from 14th May, 1926, to 30th September, 1926.
No. 902 Pte. A. S. Forsyth, No. 5 Platoon, from 15th May, 1926, to 14th June, 1926.

The following members of the Infantry Company are permitted leave of absence from 20th May, 1926, to 11th June, 1926, for the purpose of proceeding to Singapore with the Infantry Co. as from 13th May, 1926.
No. 495 Corpl. A. C. I. Bowker, No. 1 Platoon.
No. 1020 Pte. H. C. Burgess, No. 1 Platoon.
No. 677 Pte. A. W. L. Ramsey, No. 2 Platoon.
No. 370 Pte. E. C. Fincher, No. 2 Platoon.

8.—RESIGNATION.

Reference Corps Order No. 225 Para. 10 dated 14th May, 1926 the resignation of No. 984 Pte. W. C. Orley, No. 4 Platoon, is hereby cancelled.

G. E. SWINTON, Capt.

Adjutant, H.K.V.D.C.
Hongkong, 21st May, 1926.

LAWN BOWLS.

FRIENDLY GAME AT THE DOCK.

At the instigation of Mr. J. Graca Ozorio, a match was played between teams representing the Club de Recreio, and the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club on Wednesday night on the Dock Green. Although beaten by a fairly substantial margin, the result—

below, is one that reflects great credit on the Recreio Team, being as they were, opposed to a strong combination of the younger enthusiasts from the home club.

Mr. D. Gow extended a very hearty welcome to the Club de Recreio, and suggested that there ought to be more of these games played during the coming season. After wishing them every success, in their first venture in League Bowls, his call for three cheers met with ready response. In returning thanks Mr. E. V. M. R. do Sousa expressed the hope that his Club would have an early opportunity of reciprocating the Dock

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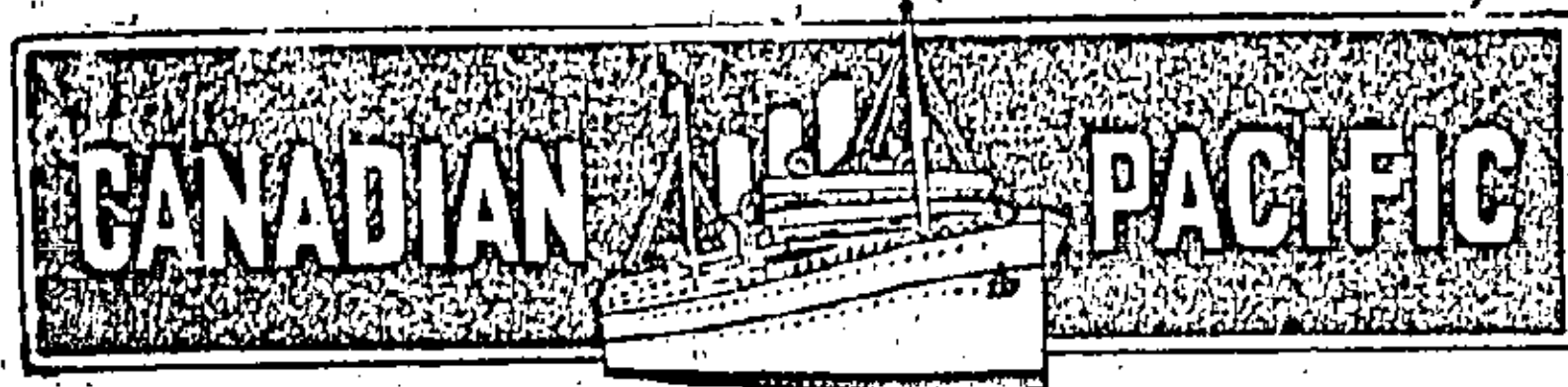
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THE RUSSIAN FUNDS.

London, May 20.
 In the House of Commons several questions touched the Soviet gift of 200,000 roubles to the British miners.

Sir William Joynson Hicks replied that the mining strike, being a genuine trade dispute, the Government was unable to prevent the admission of foreign money for the purpose of assistance. Mr. Will Thorne pointed out that cheques sent to the Trade Union Congress by Russian trade unions, were prevented, entering under the emergency powers. Sir William Joynson Hicks replied, "Yes, I stopped that hundred thousand, but a contribution to the miners is quite a different position."

The Rejection.

The Central Committee of the Mining Association discussed Mr. Baldwin's proposals. The results of the enquiry will be submitted to the district colonizers. It disclosed considerable criticism of the proposed legislation, particularly as regards amalgamation, restriction, recruitment of labour, establishment of a national wages board, and the independent chairman's powers, which it is declared suggest compulsory arbitration.

The Miners' Delegate Conference has passed a resolution declining to accept the Government's proposals for reducing wages, on the ground that they do not provide a decent standard of living.—*Reuter.*

PROPERTY SALE.

KOWLOON LOTS DISPOSED OF YESTERDAY.

At the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, leasehold properties situated in Kowloon were disposed of by Mr. E. V. M. R. de Sousa. There was a fair attendance and bidding was brisk for the first lot but the second was knocked down to the only rise above the opening price.

Lot 1 consisted of Subsection 2 of Section E of Inland Lot 12/4, together with the buildings thereon known as 16 Sai Yuen Lane, held for a term of 999 years from 1855, with an area of 1,076 square feet and an annual Crown Rental of \$2.78.

Opening at \$12,000 with bids of \$100 acceptable, the price steadily rose to \$13,900, at which sum the sale was concluded in favour of Mr. Lo Yuk Chi.

Lot 2 consisted of the Remaining Portion of New Kowloon Inland Lot 367, with the buildings thereon, situated at Cheung Sha Wan, and held for a term of 75 years from 1888 at an annual Crown Rent of \$114, and having an area of 24,750 square feet.

The opening price was \$25,000 with bids of \$500 acceptable, and the only bid made was one at this figure by Mrs. Ho Tuen-wan who became the new owner at \$25,500.

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CAPTURE AN AMERICAN OFFICER.

Peking, May 20.
 The American Consul at Yunnanfu has telegraphed that according to a report received from a foreigner residing at Laitoupe, bandits on May 17 captured Captain T. J. Betts, American Language Officer, who is touring the provinces for the purposes of improving his knowledge of the language. Betts belongs to the American Coast Artillery and is well-known in Peking, where his wife and mother reside.

The report is not otherwise confirmed, but there is no reason to doubt its accuracy.

The capture is said to have been effected in the neighbourhood of Laitoupe.

A Well-Known Figure.

It appears that Captain Betts left here in March on a mission he voluntarily undertook for the Famine Relief Commission in connection with the organisation of a new committee at Yunnanfu. On May 1, he telegraphed to Peking stating that he had completed his task and intended going overland to Chungking, where he expected to arrive on June 7, instead of returning to Hanoi by rail. No word has since been heard from him.

Splendid physique made Capt. Betts a conspicuous figure in Peking, where his mother, wife and two children are at present residing. He was born at Newchwang, and speaks Chinese unusually well.—*Reuter.*

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New York, May 20.
 The Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, one of the most fashionable congregations, has unanimously approved of the offer of the post of pastor to the Reverend Henry Howard, of London, who is a former Methodist "bush" preacher of Victoria, Australia.

The pastorate carries a stipend of \$12,000.—*Reuter's American Service.*

DENMARK TO JAPAN.

BOTVED'S CONTINUED BAD LUCK.

Peking, May 20.
 Comdr. Botved, flying from Yucheng this morning, landed at Machang owing to leaking of petrol, and was again forced down similarly on Tientsin racecourse.

Probably he will have to remain in Tientsin a couple of days to effect thorough repairs after which he proceeds to Peking, Tientsin and Tokyo, going homeward from Japan via Siberia.—*Reuter.*

\$100,000 CLAIMS.

AGAINST SHANGHAI MUNICIPALITY.

Shanghai, May 20.
 The American attorney, Mr. Husar, on behalf of one Huan Gee-tong, a Chinese claiming American citizenship, has filed a complaint in the Court of Foreign Consuls, Shanghai, claiming \$100,000 from the Shanghai Municipal Council, arising from a gambling raid on April 30, which the plaintiff alleges was illegally conducted at his premises in North Szechuan Road, by Municipal Council police; the said premises being outside the Settlement limits and outside the jurisdiction of the Settlement authorities.

The lawyer Mr. Fischer is filing a similar claim on behalf of Wong Wo-chung, a Portuguese subject.—*Reuter.*

FATAL INDECISION.

CHINESE KNOCKED DOWN BY MOTOR CAR.

A verdict of "accidental death" was returned at an inquiry at the Central Magistracy yesterday when the death of a Chinese was investigated. Evidence showed that a motor car in which Dr. S. F. Lee was the passenger, turned into Wardley Street from Des Voeux Road Central on May 9. A man ran across the road at the same time, and then doubled back in front of the car. He was struck by the front of the motor and knocked down.

Dr. Lee rendered first aid and took the man to the Government Civil Hospital. The man died the same day from a fractured skull.

The driver of the car was exonerated from blame.

OBSTRUCTIONS.

THE AMAHS RECEIVING POLICE ATTENTION.

Under the Obstruction Ordinance, two Chinese amahs, one of No. 10 Anzac House and the other of 33 Pratt Avenue, were prosecuted at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for leaving perambulators on the pavement in Hanoi Road, thus causing an obstruction.

The wording of the original summons was "that they did unlawfully cause an obstruction by sitting on the pavement," but on hearing the evidence his Worship amended the charges to causing an obstruction by leaving perambulators on the footpath.

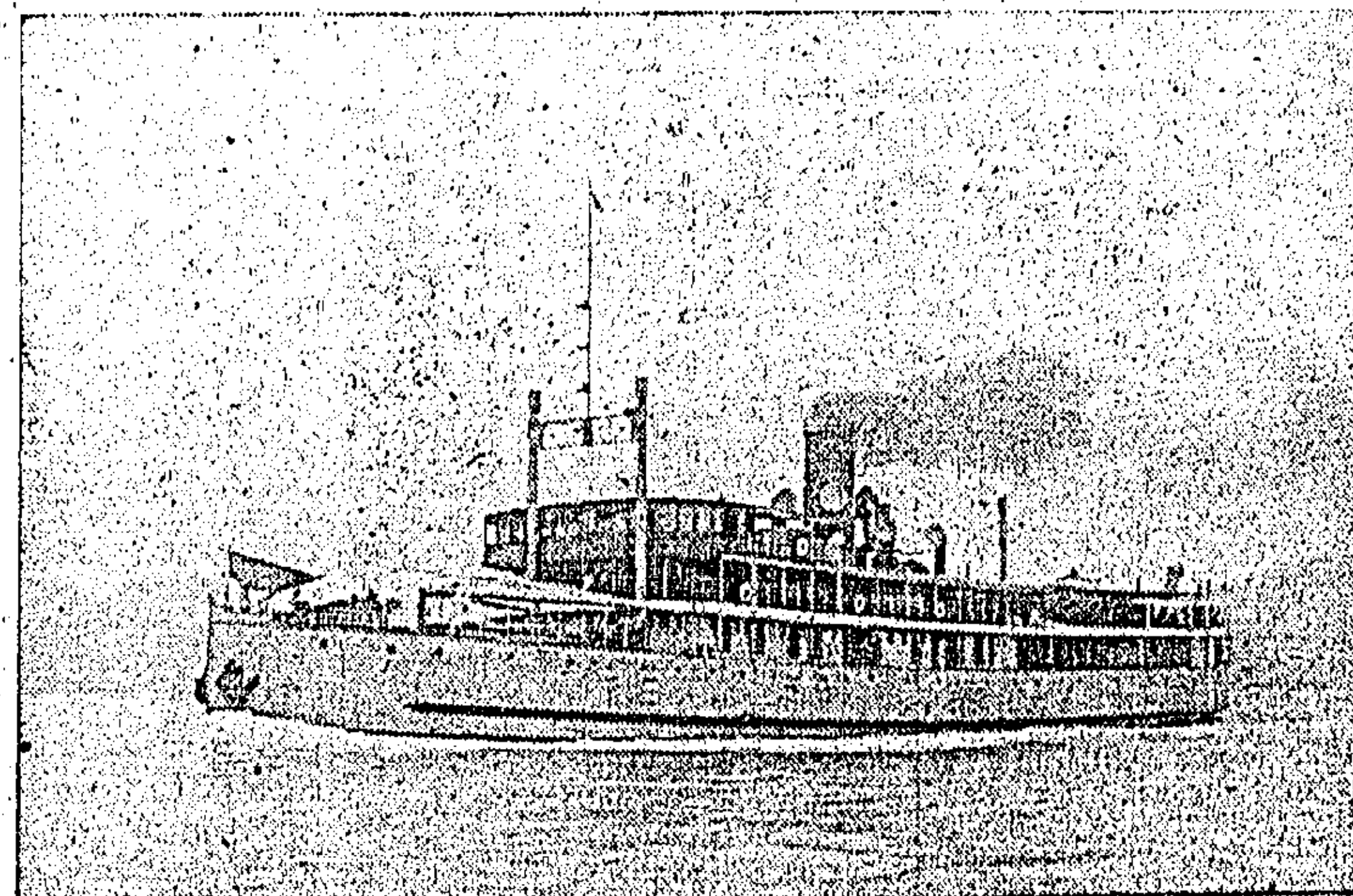
The amah of No. 10 Anzac House was summoned on two separate occasions by different sergeants and fined \$5 on both counts. The other defendant who had only one charge to answer was fined \$2.

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JEYPORE	8,318	5th July	S'pore, P'ang C'ho & B'bay
KARMALA	9,128	10th July	M'les, London & Antwerp
PADUA	5,907	15th July	Marseilles Rotterdam London & Antwerp
KASHMIR	8,985	22nd July	S'pore, P'ang C'ho & B'bay
RANPURA	16,585	24th July	Marseilles & London
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LEON'S FAUX PAS.

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The weather forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—South winds, moderate, squally; overcast, occasional rain.

The P. and O. s.s. Kalyan from Hongkong arrived at Marseilles on 20th instant at 7.30 a.m.

POST OFFICE NOTICE.

NOTICE

WIRELESS TELEGRAPH SERVICES, which offer speedy and efficient means of communication, are established between HONGKONG and SHIPS at SEA, FRENCH INDO-CHINA, the PROVINCE of YUNNAN, and MACAO.

The RADIO TELEGRAPH OFFICE is always open for the reception and transmission of Radio Telegrams, and for reporting vessels, passing WAGLAN and GAP ROCK LIGHTHOUSES.

WIRELESS SERVICES with Canton and Swatow suspended until further notice.

Full particulars may be obtained on application to the RADIO COUNTER in the MAIN HALL of the G.P.O., and at the RADIO TELEGRAPH OFFICE 3rd floor, GOVERNMENT BUILDING.

Dutiable articles forwarded by letter post to Great Britain are liable to confiscation by the Customs. Such articles should be forwarded by parcel post only.

Commencing May 1st the rates for wireless messages to the river steamers "Lungshan," "Taishan" and "Kinsan" will be reduced from 50 cents per word to 15 cents per word with minimum charge of \$1.50.

From	Per	Due
Manila	President Wilson	May 21.
Amoy	Talma	May 21.
Shanghai	Sinkiang	May 21.
Europe via Negapatam (Papers only London 22nd April)	Bellerophon	May 22.
Salgon	Dr. Poire Benoit	May 23.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Tenyo Maru	May 23.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Adams	May 24.
Manila	Emp. of Russia	May 25.
Manila	Pres. Madison	May 27.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	President Lincoln	May 27.

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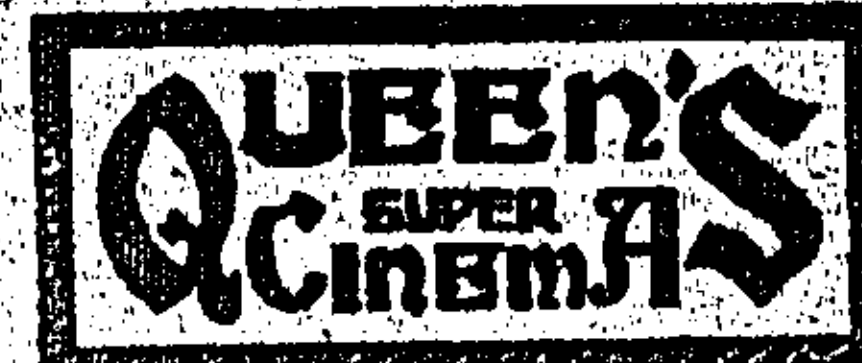
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The net proceeds of the charity football match organised by Mrs. Luard, the President of the Military branch of the Ministering League, realised \$300.

Someone entered a shop at 4, Po Wah Street by means of an open back window, and stole clothing valued at \$37.

Entertainments.



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